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CONVICTS FREED FOR CHRISTMAS

Governor McGovern Is Generous to Prisoners of State; Many Are Paroled

MUELLER GOES HOME TO DIE

Woman Convicted of Killing Veteran to Be Allowed to Return to Son

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 22.—Governor McGovern today announced the following pardons:

Stanley Kwikkowski, Milwaukee county, abandonment; convicted on September 11, 1911 and sentenced to six months—conditional pardon.

Arthur Caddock, Kenosha county, pleaded guilty to a statutory offense and sentenced in June, 1907, to ten years—pardon granted.

Thomas Jones, Barron county, pleaded guilty on September 23, 1884, to murder in the first degree and sentenced to life imprisonment—pardon granted.

Joseph Pione, Shawano county, pleaded guilty October 5, 1910, to manslaughter in fourth degree and sentenced to two years—pardon granted.

William Dickinson, Waushara county, convicted May 4, 1907, of statutory offense and sentenced to five years—pardon granted.

La Crosse Girl Freed Gladys Noonan, La Crosse county, pleaded guilty August 30, 1909, to immoral conduct, and sent to industrial school for girls during minority—conditional pardon.

Charles James, Milwaukee county, convicted January 24, 1904, of statutory offense, and sentenced to fifteen years—pardon granted.

Herman Mueller, Milwaukee county, sentenced in October, 1909, to twenty-five years for second degree murder—sentence commuted to permit immediate parole. Mueller is dying of tuberculosis.

While Mrs. Angela Funk of Milwaukee, with her husband was sentenced to life imprisonment at Waukegan for the murder of a veteran at the Soldiers' home, was not pardoned, her life sentence was commuted to twenty-five years, which means that in another year she will be free to return to her son, Louis Carson, of Chicago, who has promised to take care of her as long as she lives. It was clearly established in the hearing before the governor that Mrs. Funk took part in the crime out of fear of her husband.

Last Christmas at Home Governor McGovern commuted the sentence of Herman Mueller of Milwaukee to twenty-four years, so that he may be paroled in time to spend his last days at home with his mother. Mueller is in the last stages of tuberculosis, and it was his one wish to be home with his mother for the last Christmas he expects to spend on this earth.

In all of the cases in which applications were made for pardons, the governor went into the facts. In each instance where a pardon was granted he felt that there were mitigating circumstances or that the prisoner already paid the penalty for the crime committed.

The only case from Dane county was that of William M. Fuller, who pleaded to murder in the first degree and was sentenced to life in April of 1898. The application for pardon was denied. The crime was committed in Black Earth. Fuller had a partner by the name of Bestor, who also was sentenced to life.

Missing Heiress May Be Prisoner

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—A thorough search of every room in every nine-story office building in Chicago's loop district was begun today by police in their search for Violet Buehler, the 15 year old girl who disappeared Nov. 25.

The basis for the search was a note found in the mailbox of a skyscraper, appealing to the mailman to help in the release of "a prisoner" in "Room 917." The note was not discovered until the mail collector arrived at the postoffice, so that trace of the building is lost.

It is the police theory that the prisoner, whom they believe may be Violet Buehler, threw the note out of the window, and that a passerby, noting that the address was "To the Mailman," deposited it in a box in the building.

PACKERS COMBINE CALLED BENEFIT

Attorney for Defense Paints Rosy Picture of Benign Spirit of the Meat Barons

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—The jury which will try the beef magnates for alleged frame to dominate the packing industry, heard more on the defense's side of the case today.

Attorney M. W. Borders painted an enthusiastic picture of the beneficent packing house combination, and with tremendous forensic zeal repudiated the government's charges that the participants in the trust ought to go to jail.

Borders appeared particularly for the Morris group of packers, and individually for Louis H. Heyman, manager for Morris & Co., and one of the defendants.

Borders appealed to the jury not to base their final judgment on the guilt or innocence of the packers on popular passion or prejudice. He said that the defendants were just now between two forces—on the one side an army of consumers howling against the high cost of living, and on the other, the farmers, also howling over the low prices they received for livestock. In neither of these conditions, Borders declared, were the packers responsible. It was purely the inexorable law of supply and demand, he said.

The attorney asserted that in reality the packers' combination only controlled 35 per cent of the dressed beef industry—not the 65 or 70 per cent the government alleged.

"The packers have bestowed a benefaction on the people," the lawyer continued. "One head of cattle yields 55 per cent meat. Under the old methods the other 45 per cent was wasted. The packers conserved this waste by turning the whole 45 per cent into useful by-products."

Borders concluded at noon and court recessed until late this afternoon, when John Barton Payne, individual attorney for Edward Tilden, one of the defendants, will make his opening statement.

LOCAL BOYS WIN EASTERN DEBATE

Edward Mabie and Sigvald Stavrum Take Prizes in Contest at Dartmouth College

La Crosse has the honor of having a couple of young men who won two out of four prizes in the declamatory contest held at Dartmouth college recently and in which fifty young men, from various cities in the United States, took part.

The victors are Sigvald Stavrum, son of Thomas Stavrum, clothier, who won fourth prize, amounting to \$10 and Edward Mabie, who won second place with a cash prize of \$30.

Both of the young men are graduates of the La Crosse high school and during their term there distinguished themselves as debaters. They are home for the holidays.

WHIPPED NEARLY TO DEATH

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 22.—Governor Hadley today offered a reward of \$300 for the arrest and conviction for each of the members of the mob who took Charlie Peters, colored, from the jail at St. Louis, Dec. 11, stripped him, whipped him and left him for dead. Peters was imprisoned on a charge of disturbing the peace.

FAMOUS CLUBWOMAN DEAD

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Elroy M. Avery, probably the foremost clubwoman of Cleveland, died suddenly today of heart failure. She was 67 years of age. Mrs. Avery was the first woman elected to public office in Ohio—that of member of the Cleveland board of education. She was editor of the American Monthly, official publication of the D. A. R. and prominent in that organization.

ENGLAND'S FINGER IN CHINESE PIE

Peace Negotiations in Almost Hopeless Snarl As Result of Meddling of Powers

PREMIER CHANGES ATTITUDE

Stands Out For Monarchy; Effect of Republic On India Feared By Great Britain

SHANGHAI, Dec. 22.—The peace negotiations are in an almost hopeless snarl today. Premier Yuan Shi Kai who has been vacillating between a republic and a monarchy, has headed the voice of Great Britain and now announces that he cannot consider the revolutionists' demand for a republican form of government.

Yesterday the premier announced that he would accept a republic provided he could be elected president. Instantly England feared a bad example would be set for India and Yuan was persuaded to hold out for a constitutional monarchy.

To add to the complications, the revolutionists have increased their demands. They now insist that Prince Chun, the deposed regent, be beheaded; that life imprisonment be meted out to Princes Hsuan, Tao and Liang, the viceroys of the provinces of Tszuan and Hupeh, where the armistice has been violated; minister of Communication Sheng and the elder statesman Natung, Tang Shao Wai and Dr. Lu Fung had a conference today to consider those demands.

Revolutionists here are bitterly condemning Great Britain for influencing Premier Yuan Shi Kai to hold out a monarchy. It is rumored that anti-foreign outbreaks may result from England's action.

NOTED ACTOR IS DEAD BY OWN HAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Walter L. S. Lowell, better known on the stage as Wright Lorimer, the well known actor, who starred for years in "The Shepherd King," committed suicide today in his home by inhaling illuminating gas.

The coroner's office is investigating. Wright Lorimer was born in Athol, Mass., March 10, 1874. He graduated from Colgate university and later went to England, where he took special courses in psychology and English literature. After his return to the United States he was offered professorships in English in several of the leading eastern universities, but decided to follow his natural inclination, the stage. In his first engagement he was a member of the Dearborn Stock company in Chicago, as a utility man. His last play was "The Shepherd King," which he staged himself, under the direction of William A. Brady.

STATE SENATOR IS DEAD AT MERRILL

MERRILL, Wis., Dec. 22.—James James A. Wright, 38, republican state senator since 1904 and a prominent lumberman, banker and political figure in Wisconsin, is dead at his home here today after an illness of two weeks with typhoid fever.

He was born at Racine, Wis., June 17, 1873. He was unmarried.

LEWIS AGAIN INDICTED

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 22.—For the third time in six months, Edward G. Lewis mayor of University City and promoter of a long list of enterprises of various importance, was indicted today for using the mails to defraud. Former Congressman Harry M. Coudrey and Harry B. Gardner were also indicted today on a similar charge.

CHATFIELD BANKER MISSING

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Aid of the police was asked today to locate Charles L. Ober, president of the First National bank of Chatfield, Minn., who has been missing from his room at a local hotel since last Tuesday. Ober carried a large sum of money and it is feared he was robbed and beaten, being now either in a hospital or unable to make his identity known.

MANY LEAVE COUNTRY

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Figures compiled at Ellis island today show that nearly 300,000 fewer immigrants have landed up to the present time than for a corresponding period in 1910. The statistics show also that every steamship leaving for Europe is crowded as never before with steerage passengers.

DECLARE FOR OPEN SHOP

MANCHESTER, England, Dec. 22.—Owners of the cotton mills today served notice on their employees that beginning next Wednesday an open shop policy would be adopted. All of the 160,000 cotton workers must submit or be locked out.

"Smiling Joe's" Smile Faded By Relapse

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—"Smiling Joe," whose smile brought \$250,000 to a hospital because he was supposed to be cured of tuberculosis of the spine, has had a relapse, and again is strapped to his bed, his back having given away after six years of special treatment.

It was while he was a patient of Sea Breeze hospital that "Smiling Joe's" portrait was taken. It showed him strapped to a board, apparently a hopeless invalid. Yet on this child's face there was a sublime smile of happiness and content, and joy of living. The picture, given wide circulation, touched so many hearts that a quarter of a million dollars was subscribed to carry on the work of the institution.

And now "Smiling Joe" Marion, only 19 years old, is strapped to his bed in a tenement on the east side—and the smile is gone. He looks forward almost with unholty dread to the Christmas that is here and which he may not enjoy as the other boys do.

RICHESON TAKES TURN FOR WORSE

Boston Pastor, who Mutilated Self, Reported Hanging Between Life and Death

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 22.—It developed shortly after noon today, following a visit of Dr. Howard A. Lathrop, the second in a few hours, that Rev. C. V. T. Richeson, who mutilated himself in Charles street jail cell while awaiting trial for murder of Avis Linnell, has taken a turn for the worse.

Reports which are not denied by Sheriff Seavy and Dr. Lathrop, say the former minister is hanging between life and death. It is said he has been taken to the hospital and that the young Virginian is so weak it is thought inadvisable to move him from his cell cot to the jail infirmary.

BRITISH STEAMER NABBED

GIBRALTAR, Dec. 22.—The British steamer Menzales, carrying \$150,000 in gold to pay the Turkish troops at Hodeida, in the Turkish province of Yemen, was seized today by the Italian cruiser Puglia. The money probably will be confiscated by the Italian government.

Prose Carols Of Christmastide

Convict Needs a Job CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Through the advertising columns of a local newspaper, a convict at Joliet is asking for a job so that he can spend Christmas with his family. He must have a job, or the parole rules won't permit it.

LA CROSSE MAN WEDS IOWA GIRL

Fred Schnell, secretary of the Board of public works, received word from his son, Fred, that he was married to Miss Winnie Frey at Latimer, Ia., yesterday.

Fred Schnell, Jr., has been on a farm in Latimer, Ia., for some time and the bride is also a resident of Latimer. Mr. Schnell expects his son and his bride to arrive in La Crosse tonight.

EXPLOSIVE LAWS STRINGENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The interstate commerce commission today without referring to the alleged dynamite conspiracy now being investigated by the department of justice, issued new and more stringent regulations for the transportation of explosives and inflammable materials effective March 31 next. Among explosives forbidden from shipment are liquid nitro-glycerine and dynamite containing over sixty per cent nitro-glycerine except gelatin dynamite. Most high explosives must have red labels.

BROKERS' BONDS VACATED

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The final echo in the million dollar failure, in May, 1909, of the Wall street brokerage firm of W. W. Tracy & Co., was heard when the district attorney vacated the bonds of Tracy, Frederick W. Parker and Robert D. Covington, all members of the firm, charged with grand larceny. The district attorney did not believe he could convict the men. Tracy's father is a rich banker of Springfield, Ill., who financed the presidential campaign of Abraham Lincoln.

COUNTERFEITERS AT DULUTH

SUPERIOR, Wis., Dec. 22.—With discovery of a complete counterfeit plant in an abandoned blacksmith shop at Duluth and arrest of Edward Paul, 24, and Eam Polinski, 18, police are searching today for other members of a gang said to have engaged in the wholesale manufacture of spurious \$5 gold pieces at Duluth.

CITY AGHAST AT POLICE REPORT

Chicago Civil Service Commission Bitterly Arraigns Department For Graft

CRIMINALS ARE PROTECTED

Reorganization on a Semi-Military Plan is Recommended; Would Disband Society

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Chicagoans today stood aghast at the bitter arraignment of the city police force in a preliminary report of the results of the investigation of the city civil service commission into vice conditions here.

The commission declares that the police force as a whole, instead of being an agency for protection, is in reality an actual force for protection of crime and vice, and that its administration is so mixed up with politics as to nullify and hamper its administration of justice.

The report gives a long list of cases where actual evidence of the payment of "protection money" to high police officials keep the proprietors of dens and brothels out of the courts, even in the face of flagrant disregard of the law.

The only way to make the Chicago police force an active agency for the suppression of crime, the commission declares, is to make a clean up of the present personnel and reorganize it on the basis of a semi-military organization—something like the force of Paris gendarmes. The foreign espionage system, where the police would keep card catalogue lists of all criminals of every nature, and have the criminals themselves constantly under surveillance is also recommended.

Instant abolition is recommended of the United Police association, an organization which is supposed to be a benefit insurance scheme for members of the force, but which the commission finds "has been charged with conspiracy to obtain salary advances by bribery," with other breaches of discipline.

CHRISTMAS IN JAIL MAKES TEARS FLOW

Weeping like a child, Thomas Bennett, aged twenty-five, was led from the court room to begin a sentence of thirty days in the county jail this morning. Bennett pleaded guilty to working the old "short change" game but when it came to spending Christmas in jail, forthwith sent up a wall of protest mingled with pleadings, for mercy.

Bennett, who claims to come from the east, became so strongly depressed at the prospect of spending Christmas in jail that he attempted to escape from Patrolman William Horshack when arrested, but was unable to elude that arm of the law.

Governor "Convict" To Help Prisoners

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 22.—Immediate and stringent prison reforms in Tennessee are forecasted today as the result of the "imprisonment" of Governor B. W. Hooper, who sentenced himself to two days in the state penitentiary, that he might study conditions first hand. The governor "pardoned" himself after one day.

Pardons to numerous long termers are looked for at Christmas.

When the legislature meets again, the governor said today, he would urge that stripes be abolished. He will ask a school for juvenile prisoners and demand that pardon lawyers be barred from appealing to the governor. He will recommend the adoption of an "indeterminate sentence" law and ask that a portion of each prisoner's earnings be paid to his family while he is in prison.

ASK GRAND JURY AFTER DECISION

The Petition Signed Today Awaits only Action of the Commission, which May Be Deferred

The supplementary petition, asking for a grand jury, was completed today and received the signatures of some of the citizens who have interested themselves in the police case since the filing of the first petition.

The petition will not be filed until after the decision of the police commission is made public, and should that be deferred until after tomorrow, Judge Higbee will be asked to postpone action until the new petition is filed.

"A number of citizens residing in the county outside the city have expressed a desire to sign the petition," said the prominent man who has become a figure in the movement during the past week. It was intimated also that still another high official will sign.

The police commission would not promise today that their decision would be reached at the meeting called for 4 o'clock this afternoon, but said that the opinion would be in writing. From a source close to the commission it was learned that the opinion is expected to be unanimous.

There is much speculation as to the character of the decision, reports all claiming inspiration from official sources varying widely. The most persistent rumor, however, is that nothing more serious than suspension from office will be ordered by the commission. On the other hand, many citizens, especially lawyers, who have followed the evidence refuse to believe the commission will retain the men in the service.

PRESIDENT OF ECUADOR DEAD

Life of South American Ruler Ended by Illness; Escapes Assassin's Plots

GUAYQUIL, Ecuador, Dec. 22.—President Emilio Estrada died here suddenly today. He was elected president in 1910, and took office January 1, of this year. He became ill in September, and was sent to Quito. While there a plot to assassinate him was foiled and several would-be assassins captured. The attitude of Quito proved dangerous and President Estrada returned here the latter part of last month.

RAIL STRIKE NEAR END

PADUCAH, Ky., Dec. 22.—President Fred McCreary of the systems federation of the Illinois Central returned today from a trip over his territory and officially denied that there had been a settlement of the strike. He admitted however, that the labor differences would be settled within a short time, saying that the road had 500 dead engines in Chicago, and that the rolling stock was deteriorating on account of non-use.

REALTY FIRM ACCUSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A fraud order was issued today by Postmaster General Hitchcock against the International Real Estate and Commercial company of San Francisco, Cal., accused of running a lottery.

GUN MAN SHOTS ONE

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 22.—Running amuck with a revolver in a saloon early today Herman Dethloff, 32, fired five shots at his imagined enemies and wounded a bystander, Max Berlin, in the arm. He was finally overpowered by police and hastened to a station where it is said he suffers a violent form of insanity.

RUSSIAN DEMAND OUSTS SHUSTER

Persian Parliament Yields to Foreign Pressure; American Treasurer Resigns

AGAINST THE PEOPLE'S WILL

Russia Also Demands Apology and Indemnity For Cost of Sending Troops

TEHERAN, Dec. 22.—Parliament today yielded to the demands of Russia that W. Morgan Shuster, the American treasurer-general, be dismissed. The action is in direct opposition to the people who have loyally supported the young American during his incumbency.

Persia has submitted to every demand made by Russia, it is reported, although no official announcement of the action has been given out. It is believed that a new treasurer-general will be obtained from America or some European country. The new official cannot take office, however, until England and Russia have confirmed his appointment.

Shuster Resigns A messenger from parliament carried the notice to Shuster in a formal note. He replied with his resignation in which he thanked the members of parliament for standing by him so loyally and only yielding when the independence of Persia was threatened.

The people are ardent in their support of Shuster, and it is believed the action will be vigorously resisted.

Officers have posted official notices forbidding the people to congregate in the streets or to remonstrate against any action of the government.

There is wild excitement over the report that Russian troops are advancing from Kasbin. This report is untrue, however, as the Russian soldiers have received orders to remain at Kasbin for the present. Unless there is an outbreak following the announcement of Shuster's dismissal, the troops will be withdrawn to Reshl and probably later into Russian territory.

Apology Demanded The Russian ultimatum, to the terms of which Persia has agreed, was delivered to the Persian government by the Russian minister at Teheran on Nov. 29. It demanded the dismissal of Shuster, a prompt apology from the Persian government for alleged interference with the property of Persians under Russian protection (the former shah) and the payment of an indemnity for Russia for expenditures she had incurred in sending troops to the Persian frontier.

The national council declined at first to comply with these demands although the cabinet was inclined to do so. Yesterday, Russia threatened to order the advance of 4,000 troops of all arms stationed at Kasbin, 96 miles northwest of Teheran, unless Persia acceded within 24 hours.

The trouble, therefore, is believed to be ended unless Persian popular opinion leads to resistance.

Does Work Too Well W. Morgan Shuster, the deposed treasurer-general of Persia, has had the odd experience of being dismissed from office because he did his work too well.

The young American, upon the recommendation of President Taft was secured by Persia to take charge of her sickly financial affairs. Within a few months he had almost \$1,000,000 in a treasury that had been empty when he took charge. Russia began to grow uneasy. She and England had looked upon the situation in Persia with great satisfaction and had intended to partition the territory as soon as the government became bankrupt. Russian financiers who had been accustomed to do about as they pleased in Persia found themselves thwarted by the American. They protested to the czar. Persia received a polite notification that Shuster's presence was distasteful to Russia; but she did not take the hint. Then followed the famous ultimatum demanding Shuster's dismissal. The Persian cabinet, which will be pro-Russian in sympathy, was willing to get rid of the treasurer, but parliament refused to fall in line with the ministry.

Three weeks ago, Russia gave orders for an occupation of Persia. Several hundred Cossacks assembled at Reshl on the Caspian sea, were ordered to advance to Kasbin. They were joined there by 5,000 infantry, but a terrific blizzard halted their advance on Teheran. The troops were to have left Kasbin for Teheran today had not the Persian parliament finally consented to yield.

Shuster to Get Salary WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Following the ousting by the Persian parliament of its American treasurer, W. Morgan Shuster, it was said today at the state department that Shuster will receive every cent of salary under his three-year contract with Persia. A clause in the contract provides for a continuance of salary in case of dismissal for any cause.

WEATHER

For La Crosse and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Saturday; colder tonight.

For Wisconsin: Unsettled and slightly colder tonight; Saturday generally fair.

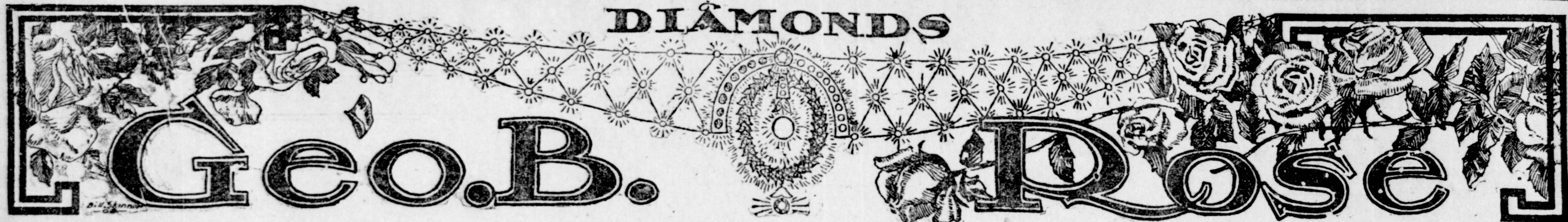
For Minnesota and Iowa: Generally fair tonight and Saturday; colder east portion tonight.

Weather Notes The storm in eastern Nebraska yesterday morning has moved into Manitoba and light snow was general throughout the northern plains states and rain and snow in the upper Mississippi valley and lake region; snow continues at a few stations in the southwest. Thursday has moved eastward to the gulf of Mexico and rain is falling from the west gulf states northward to New York.

Another storm is located in Alberta while high pressure areas cover the eastern states and the country west of the Rocky mountains. The temperature has fallen somewhat throughout the plains states and to 4 degrees below zero at Miles City; it is much warmer in the vicinity of the northwestern depression while in other sections the changes have been generally small.

The weather will be generally fair in this section tonight and Saturday with somewhat lower temperature tonight.

DIAMONDS



Anything from Rose's is Good to Give
And Good to Receive.

At this eleventh hour it seems to us too late to make our advertising announcement read *and* appear like a catalog, in other words we wish rather to impress the importance of finishing your gift buying here, rather than to detail our well known best values again.

Let us merely say—and make this one point as emphatic as the English language will permit—that we are just as ready to welcome you, just as ready *and* as able to meet your wants as at any time this season. Belated shoppers will find unbroken varieties *and* complete assortments here in spite of the immense trade we have enjoyed this season. You are more than welcome to come even if only to look.

If It's In A Rose Box
It Denotes Quality

JEWELER

Do Your Shopping Early
It Means Convenience For All

GAME WARDENS TAKE HAND IN CLAM FINDS

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Pearls of great purity and of good market value have been found in clams which abound in Caddo Lake in Marion county, Texas. The finds were made by a camping party enjoying a clam bake, one of the clams yielding a pearl appraised by local jewelers to be worth over \$1,000.

Announcement of the find precipitated a rush of amateur pearl hunters and the number of clams that inhabited the lake was greatly reduced. So extensive did the search become that the state game, fish and oyster department announced jurisdiction over the "pearl industry" and pearl hunting was stopped.

The pearl hunters question the authority of the state game warden over the search and a test case is to be made, which if decided against the state will let down the bars for the opening of a new industry in Texas.

ROOSEVELT IS ON NEBRASKA TICKET

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 22.—Theodore Roosevelt is a candidate for the presidential nomination at the republican primaries in Nebraska. John O. Yeizer, Omaha attorney, author of the plan to hold Roosevelt banquets all over the United States at the same time, sent a petition bearing twenty-five names to the secretary of state, and it was formally filed today. The Nebraska primary law does not designate how many names are necessary to a petition naming a presidential candidate at the primaries, but Yeizer says he can get as many more names as are needed.

Roosevelt delegates to the national convention will be filed for nomination very soon and Yeizer says they can be elected.

Yeizer holds that Colonel Roosevelt will have no authority to withdraw his name, and that the people of Nebraska will have an opportunity to vote for him at the primaries regardless of his private wishes.

PACKERS' KNOCK CALLED A BOOST

Loss Resulting from Meat Confiscation Reason for Non-Support of Seal Campaign

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 22.—The head of a well known packing firm of Milwaukee has flatly refused to order Red Cross Christmas seals for use on the outgoing mail of his firm, on the grounds that the firm annually made great contributions to the anti-tuberculosis campaign in the loss represented by condemned meat.

When asked to buy seals by a prominent member of one of Milwaukee's women's clubs he said:

"Buy Christmas seals? I should say not. We pay a tribute to the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis association every day in the year in the loss of condemned meat thrown back on our hands."

"This is the warmest endorsement ever awarded the work of the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis association," said Dr. H. E. Dearholt, executive secretary of the association, commenting on the incident. "We are delighted to have won the animosity of this packer in this way. A left hand knock of this kind is certainly a right hand boost."

"However, this attitude is not typical of Milwaukee packers. On the contrary we have checks for handsome amounts from nearly every one."

The club woman, recovering from the first embarrassment of the acrimonious dismissal remarked: "Isn't it delightful to think that, thanks to the innocent looking Christmas seals and what they stand for, the diseased meat is now going to the rendering vats instead of into the mouths of human beings?"

THUMB EVIDENCE CONVICTS SLAYER

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 22.—Conviction on thumb print evidence alone was today sustained by the Illinois supreme court in the cases of Jennings, alias Jones, a negro, who was convicted of murder largely on the evidence of a bloody thumb print left on the wall of the home where the murder occurred.

Jennings was arrested in the immediate vicinity shortly after the crime had been committed and was heavily armed. A comparison of his thumb print with that on the wall of the house was instrumental in his conviction and sentence to death.

His attorneys contended there is no statute in Illinois allowing the use of thumb print evidence in court.

If Little Mose went to Quito, would he be a Mosquito?

WILSON FORCES ORGANIZE FOR BOOM

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 22.—Following a conference of democrats active in the campaign for Woodrow Wilson in Michigan, the New Jersey governor has an organized force pushing his boom for the democratic presidential candidacy. While the present organization is temporary, it will act until January 18, when Governor Wilson will speak in Detroit at a state-wide conference of the Wilson democrats.

Conspicuous at the meeting here was Don M. Dickinson, former postmaster general in Cleveland's cabinet, who was with Governor Harmon in that cabinet. His presence was notable as showing his antagonism to Governor Harmon.

CHINESE SMUGGLING GANG IS BROKEN

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—In the conviction of Lorne Stoneburg and Albert Arthur Ouellette in federal Judge Landis' court, the federal authorities here think they have broken up a gang of Chinese smugglers who have brought thousands of Celestials into the United States. The two were arrested here with four Chinese whom they had brought across the border, probably from Canada. They were destined, it was shown, for New York. Eight other members of the alleged gang are now under arrest in New York. Stoneburg has been in the smuggling business for thirteen years. Judge Landis reserved sentence.

MOUNTAIN'S TOP FALLS WITH CRASH

DENVER, Col., Dec. 21.—The top of Mount Lizard Head, 14,160 feet high, twenty-three miles southwest of Telluride, Col., toppled over during the night with a crash that was heard for miles. Millions of tons of earth and rocks rolled down the mountain. About 2,000 feet of the top of the mountain is gone.

It was a tall, jagged peak, and the heavy snow is believed to have caused the unusual phenomenon.

If a lady went to the Davidson theater ticket office and wanted some seats in a hurry, would she say "Make Schnell?"

LA FOLLETTE MEN SEE TAFT SCHEME

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 22.—La Follette organizers in Nebraska discern in the filing of a petition yesterday with Secretary of State Walt, authorizing the insertion of Roosevelt delegates on the presidential primary, a cleverly conceived scheme engineered by the supporters of Taft. La Follette men openly charge that National Committeeman Rosewater, who is an avowed Taft supporter, is behind the plot to throw Nebraska to Roosevelt as a means of defeating the election of a La Follette delegation from this state. Taft and La Follette leaders admit that Roosevelt would win in a primary.



A spruce tree—tapering and aglow with light—suggests the happy Christmas time, just as the old Dutch Windmill suggests Van Houten's cocoa. Both are typifying emblems. The windmill stands for the

world's oldest and best product of its kind.

Van Houten's is twice as strong and infinitely more delicious than ordinary cocoa. Add to your Christmas joy by ordering a can of your grocer today—for a quarter.

WE HAVE A CHRISTMAS GIFT

That is certain to please. If you are tired looking for a suitable present come in and take a look at our line. UNTIL JANUARY 1st, 1912, we will make a most sensational price reduction on every article in the store.

The following prices are for Spot Cash and are good on everything except Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets.

Any Article Marked at the Following Prices will be Sold as Quoted. Read These Prices Over Carefully, Then Get Busy

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The Mercury car was slightly the faster, but the Duplex held the inside line, and the difference between the drivers was not in skill so much as in daredevilry. Slower machines kept conservatively out of the way as the dangerous rivals fought out their speed-battle. Three times Stanton hunted the Duplex around the track, gaining on each lap, until the last circuit was made with the cars side by side, a flaming team. The spectators, scanty at this hour before dawn, rose, applauding and cheering, as the two passed again, still clinging together.

But gradually it became evident that Stanton, who held the outside, was steadily crowding the Duplex toward the paddock fence. Nor could the Duplex defend itself from the maneuver which must ultimately force it to fall behind at one of the turns or accept destruction by collision. The machines were so close that a swerve on the part of either, the blow-out of a tire or a catch in the ruts cut in the track at certain points, meant instant death. Mercilessly, gradually, Stanton pressed his perilous advantage. And at the crucial moment he heard a low, exultant laugh.

"Cut him closer!" urged his mechanic's eager, excited accents at his ear. "We'll get him on this turn—he's weakening!—Cut him closer!" The comrade triumph came to Stanton as an unaccustomed cordial. They were passing the grandstand, just ahead lay the worst curve.

It was partly reputation which won. If the Duplex had held firm, the Mercury must in self-preservation have yielded room. But the driver knew Stanton, guessed him capable of wrecking both by obstinate persistence in attack, and dared not meet the issue. There came the gun-like reports of a shut-off motor, the Duplex slackened its furious pace, and Stanton hurtled past him on the turn itself, lurching across the ruts, and led the way down the track.

The witnesses in stands and paddock went frantic. Floyd pumped oil. Stanton snatched a glance at the miniature watch strapped on his wrist, over his glove, and slightly reduced speed. The maneuver had been successful, but the driver knew that it might have called down upon him the judges' just censure and have sent him from the track, disqualified.

The number of laps steadily grew on the bulletin register. A faint, dull light overspread the sky, the forerunner of the early summer dawn. At four o'clock the Mercury unexpectedly blew out a tire, reeling across to the fence line from the shock and the jar of sharply applied brakes. Stanton said something, and sent his car limping cautiously around to the camp where its repairers stood ready.

Floyd slid out of his hard, narrow seat rather stiffly. The cold grayness was bright enough now to show the streaks of grimy dust and oil wherever the masks had failed to protect the men's faces, and the effects of fatigue and strain of watching. Stanton looked for the inevitable pitcher of water, but found himself confronted instead with a grinning, admiringly awed messenger boy who held out a cluster of heavy purple flowers.

"What?" marveled the disgusted driver. "What idiotic trick—"

"For Mr. Stanton, sir," deferentially insisted the boy; who would have addressed the president as "he," and gazed at the czar.

Stanton caught the blossoms roughly, anticipating a practical joke from some fun-loving fellow-competing, and saw a white card dangling by a bit of ribbon.

"Thank you," he read in careless perusal. "I have no laurel wreaths here, so send the victor of the hour my corsage bouquet."

She had had the imprudence, or the cool disregard of comment, to use one of her own cards. Valerie Atherton Carlisle, the name was engraved across the heavy pasteboard.

She had thought that wild duel with the Duplex was an exhibition given for her, that at her wanton whim he had jeopardized four lives, one his own. With a strong exclamation of contempt Stanton moved to fling the flowers aside to the path before the Mercury's wheels, then he checked himself, remembering appearances. The orchids curled limply around his warm fingers; suddenly the magnificent arrogance of this girl struck him with angry humor, and he laughed shortly.

"Throw them in the tent, Blake," he requested, tossing the bouquet to one of the men. "They'll wait fast enough."

The new fire was on. As Stanton turned to his machine, after tearing the card to unreadable fragments, he saw Floyd watching him with curious intentness.

A raw, wet mist had commenced to roll in from the near-by ocean. The promise of dawn was recalled, a dull obscurity closed over the motordome, leaving even the searchlight path dim. The cars rushed on steadily.

The night had been singularly free from accidents. Only one machine had been actually wrecked, although three had been withdrawn disabled from the contest. The officials in the judges' stand were congratulating one another, at the moment when the second disaster occurred.

The mist had grown thicker. In the lights a dazzling silver curtain before men's eyes, and the track had been worn to deep grooves at the turns. The Mercury was sweeping past the grandstand, when one of the two slower cars, being overtaken, slipped its driver's control, caught in a foot-deep rut, and swerved crashing into the machine next it. Twice over it rolled, splintering sickeningly, but flinging both of its men clear of the wreck. The car struck plumed on around the curve into the mist, apparently unhurt.

Out across the damp dusk pierced the shriek of the klaxon, mingled with the cry of the people and the tinkle of the hospital telephones. Stanton, swinging wide to avoid the pitiful wreckage, kept on his course. "Stop!" Floyd shouted imperatively beside him. "Stop, Stanton, stop!"

Stanton sped on, disregarding what he supposed was a novice's nervous sympathy. He could not aid the stunned men lying on the track, and one glance had told him that they could be safely passed; as indeed they had been.

"Stop!" the command rang again; and as Stanton merely shook his head with impatient annoyance, the mechanic swiftly stooped forward.

The motor slackened oddly. Before the astounded driver had time to grasp the situation, the power died from under his hands and the car was only carried forward by its own momentum. Automatically he jammed down the brakes and turned in his seat to confront his companion in a wrathful amazement choking speech. Floyd faced him, even his lips white beneath his mask, but with steadfast eyes.

"I know," he forestalled the tempest. "You've got the right to put me off the car—I threw your switch I've got nothing to say. But the mist lifted and I saw what lay ahead."

(To be continued.)

MUSEUM OF DAILY FACTS AND FREAKS

English Jews to Act

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Pleased with the success of their brothers in America in forcing abrogation of the Russian treaty, English Jews will try to compel England to do likewise.

\$3,500 a Foot Is Rent

CHICAGO—After holding on to the property for years, Mrs. Hetty Green, the New York financieress, has leased for ninety-nine years property at Dearborn and Monroe streets. It costs the lessee \$35,000 a front foot, and there were forty-six feet.

Caruso Bumps His Nose

NEW YORK—Enrico Caruso shot "dead" in "La Tosca," fell on the stage so hard he bumped his nose, and when the blood began to flow the "dead man" began to moan loudly—and then the curtain fell.

Italian Princess Robbed

POSTMASTER'S JOB BEGGING ELGIN, Ill.—Because nobody wants the postmaster's job of South Elgin, which pays the munificent salary of \$11 a month, the postoffice department will discontinue the station.

Mate Pairs by Bumps

CHICAGO—Out of 400 men and women taking his course in phrenology, Dr. Julius Von Bernauer has promised to pick three couples who will be "ideally" mated. He will pick the affinities by the bumps on their heads.

Bedtick Bank Burns

WILKESBARRE, Pa.—Adam Boniski had no faith in banks so he put his savings in a bed tick. Just as he had accumulated \$500, his home, furniture and money went up in flames.

River Traffic in Produce

PITTSBURG — Dealers estimate that boats on the rivers have brought 100,000 turkeys; 100,000 chickens; 1,000 ducks; 15,000 geese; 10,000 rabbits and 5,000 pigeons for Pittsburgh's Christmas dinners.

Santa Clauses Burned

COSHOCOTON, Ohio.—Melvin Shryock, 16, and Jesse Turner, 13, played Santa Claus at a school entertainment. An overturned candle set fire to their cotton trimmed clothing and both are seriously burned, Shryock probably fatally.

Wedding in Jail

MEADVILLE, Miss.—While F. M. Collier was on his way to secure a marriage license to wed Mrs. Minnie Middleton, he fought a pistol duel with her brother-in-law and killed him. The wedding was performed in jail.

REQUIRES PLUMBER TO REMOVE CROWN NEW YORK—While playing Santa Claus, John McCabe, 7, was crowned with an agate kettle, and it required the services of a plumber to remove the crown, which fit too snugly.

Play Robber Really Robbed

NEW YORK—While playing the role of Galloping Dick, notorious highway man (before moving picture cameras) James Cruz himself was robbed of a \$400 fur overcoat, a \$200 diamond, and \$100 real money.

Quips and Cranks and Wanton Wiles

Christmas Coming
Christmas is comin'! I hear it a-hum-min'
Up thru ther chimbley place outer ther flue—
Turkeys are smellin' it, old hens are tellin' it,
Everyone's feelin' it plumb thru an' thru!

Rub up ther andirons—keep 'em a-shinin'!
Scour up ther pewter an' copper an' brass,
Fetch out ther kittle with porcelain linin'
An' pick up ther quinces tew turn inter sass.

Loop up ther Christmas green, hang up ther holly
Nail up ther mistletoe over ther door;
Everyone's goin' ter perk up an' be jolly
Just as we allus hev done heretofore.

'Tain't no use thinkin' of trouble an' sorrier—
Things that's gone by ain't no place in our hearts;
Christmas is comin' a week from ter-morrow,
An' right from this minit ther frolickin' starts!

—Laura Sheldon in New York Times

It Owned Even the Time

An Irishman crossed to Canada on a Canadian Pacific steamer, took the Canadian Pacific train for Vancouver, ate at C. P. R. eating houses, stopped at C. P. R. hotels, was shown C. P. R. land and finally got to Vancouver, much impressed with the greatness of that institution.

He went to a hotel, registered and asked the clerk how soon breakfast would be ready.

"Breakfast is over," said the clerk. The Irishman looked at his watch. "It isn't time for it to be over," he answered.

"Oh, yes it is," said the clerk. "You see, your watch isn't right. We run our dining room on Canadian Pacific time."

"Good Lord!" said the Irishman, in an awed voice, "Does the Canadian Pacific own the time, too?"—Saturday Evening Post.

A Complication

"Don't you think that mechanics sometimes mix up natural facts?"

"How?"

"Don't they talk of the horsepower of donkey engines?"—Baltimore American.

Tennyson's Vanity

The intricacies of a great man's character are often simplicities to his wife. Once when the present poet laureate had paid a visit to Tennyson, his immediate predecessor, Tennyson walked with him as far as the gate which led to the highway. There, says Mr. Alfred Austin, in his recent "Autobiography," while the elder poet stood leaning on the gate, a party of wide-eyed sightseers appeared.

"What a vulgar people the English are!" Tennyson exclaimed. "They come here to watch me, and when they see me they say, quite loudly, 'There's Tennyson!'"

Mr. Austin afterward repeated this to Lady Tennyson, who smiled tenderly, but archly.

"My husband would be much more annoyed if the people didn't come," she said.—Youth's Companion.

From Behind Prison Walls

Not long ago a story drifted down from Sing Sing about one of the colony of local bankers now doing time, says the New York correspondent of the Cincinnati Times-Star. The banker had a caller, who had been of service during the trial. The caller had then returned to regard the judged financier with an affection which was not reciprocated.

"I want to see Mr. Banker," said the caller to a keeper.

"Write your name on a card and I'll take it in," said the keeper.

"And what do you think," said the caller to a friend, on his return to the city. "That keeper brought my card back to me. 'Sorry, sir,' said he, 'but Banker isn't at home today.'"

A complimentary yarn is the one now told of "P. K." Connaughton who for years has been principal keeper at Sing Sing. The other day Connaughton told a prisoner to drop a bag of onions he was carrying at the door, and come into the keeper's office to be questioned about some recent offense.

The prisoner stood the cross examination well. When the prisoner and "P. K." came out the bag was there, but the onions had disappeared. "By thunder," said "P. K.," "there's a thief in this place."

Hats and Children

Dr. Bertha C. Downey at a luncheon in Worcester, Mass., eloquently pleaded for her tax on childless husbands.

"There would be fewer childless husbands," Dr. Downey ended, "if there were fewer extravagant wives. Take the case of hats alone. It is nothing for a woman to decorate her hat with aigrettes and paradise plumes worth \$80 or \$90. Few men can afford aigrettes, paradise plumes and children at the same time."

"Why," said Dr. Downey, "I heard a story the other day about a man who said:

"Brown seems to be succeeding now. What is the secret of it?"

"Well," was the reply, "he met Gobsa Golde's daughter, an heiress, who spends \$1,000 a year on hats alone, and—"

"And of course, he married her?"

"No, no! He married her milliner."—Washington Star.

A LOG FLOATS WITH THE CURRENT

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ALL DRUGGISTS

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SLAYER IS IN DESPAIR ROLLER TOWELS OUT

WOMAN, WHO SHOT HUSBAND, RAVES IN FRENZY OF DESPAIR; NURSES GUARD TO PREVENT SUICIDE

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 22.—Carefully watched by physicians and guarded by a trained nurse so that she may not attempt suicide, Mrs. Ella Graham Trout, who shot her husband to death in the grill room of the Germania hotel while he sat at supper with another woman, is today raving in a delirium of despair and self-accusation.

"I want to die," she moans over and over, and then, "My poor boy, you know I never meant to hurt you and that I loved you more than life."

Mrs. Trout has no fear of the penalty of the law. She has been assured by attorneys and friends that no jury would send her to prison. But she has sat in judgment on her own case, has found herself guilty and has sentenced herself to the extreme penalty. So it is that a nurse watches her every move lest she kill herself if left alone.

Meantime Mrs. Jewel Salyard, the "other woman," herself nothing more than a girl, is grieving, too. "I loved him and he was good to me," she said today. "I am sorry for his wife. She couldn't help it, I suppose."

BAR MAIDS MAY LOSE JOBS

BERLIN, Dec. 21.—The women of Germany have asked the Reichstag to wipe out the "bar maid" evil. Petitions containing hundreds of signatures from members of the various women's organizations in Germany, have kept the "Petitions" Committee busy for several days. They asked the passage of a law prohibiting such employment on the ground that it was degrading and destructive of morals and pointed out the temptations and insults that women serving liquor were subjected to. The commission decided that such a law would interfere with the freedom of choice of employment, but the women have not given up the fight.

TO CHANGE PHOTO SYSTEM

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The Bertillon system of taking pictures of criminals in France is to be entirely changed. Dr. Bertillon himself realizing that he has made a big mistake. In the past pictures have been one-seventh life size. These are much too small, Mr. Bertillon declares, and in the future they will be made a fifth life size. In the new size the lines of the face and the formation of the ear (very important) are very much more distinct. The least physical characteristic is wonderfully clear in the pictures.

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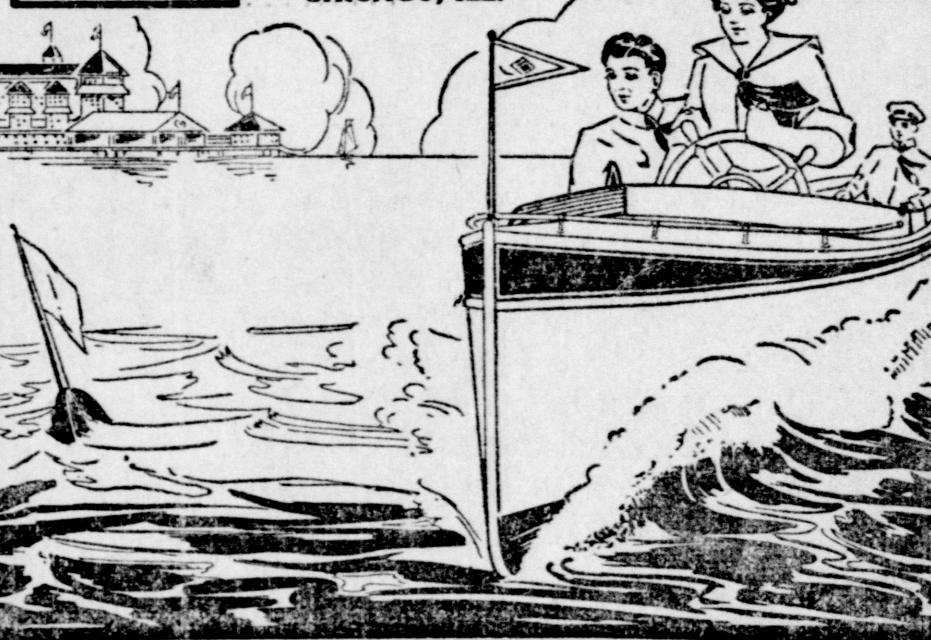
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THE "RIGHT TO WORK"

A PLAUSIBLE MYTH

"In confirming an injunction against a strike," says the Saturday Evening Post, "a New York court recently delivered itself of the following familiar but meaningless language: 'The right of every American citizen, whether employer or employee, to gain an honest livelihood by his own toil and endeavor is inherent in our organic law and should be protected by all the power of the government.'"

"If this were true, when a quarter of the Union workmen of New York were out of employment in 1896 and again in 1908 it would have been the duty of the government to exert its whole power to procure jobs for them; but the gov-

ernment did nothing of the kind. When women in sweated trades were unable to gain an honest livelihood it would be the government's duty to see that wages were raised; or when a lockout deprives workmen of employment the government should intervene—but the government doesn't, in fact, recognize any such obligation as the court implies.

"Much poppycock is uttered about the right to labor—a right which is and always has been restricted by law on every hand. Since Adam no man has ever had a right to labor except upon such terms and under such conditions as the social intelligence of the times prescribed, with a view to the general well-being.

"The court's language is very familiar and sounds well, but it really means nothing."

ALMOST TOO LATE

FOR COURTESY NOW

When the petition asking Judge Higbee to call a grand jury was filed with that official, he deferred action until the 23rd, and the intimation was given out that the court postponed his decision out of courtesy to the police commission, before which such phases of the situation as were pertinent to the integrity of the police department were under consideration.

Tomorrow is the time set by Judge Higbee for passing upon the grand jury petition, and it had been anticipated that, with courtesy equal to that of His Honor, the commission would render its decision in time to permit the court to act with knowledge of its decision. While the time is short, it will probably do so.

WE HAVE UNSANITARY

SANITARY FOUNTAINS

We invite the attention of the city health department to the fact that our "sanitary drinking fountains" are absolutely unsanitary.

The water forced through the fountains falls back into a little cup at the base of the pipe, the top of which is approximately on a level with the top of the pipe.

When the pressure is strong enough, the stream spurts above the top of the basin a sufficient height to permit one to drink without touching the water that falls back from his lips and is retained in the cup.

But the pressure is seldom strong enough, and the result is that those who have the hardihood to attempt to drink from the fountains find themselves drinking from the basin.

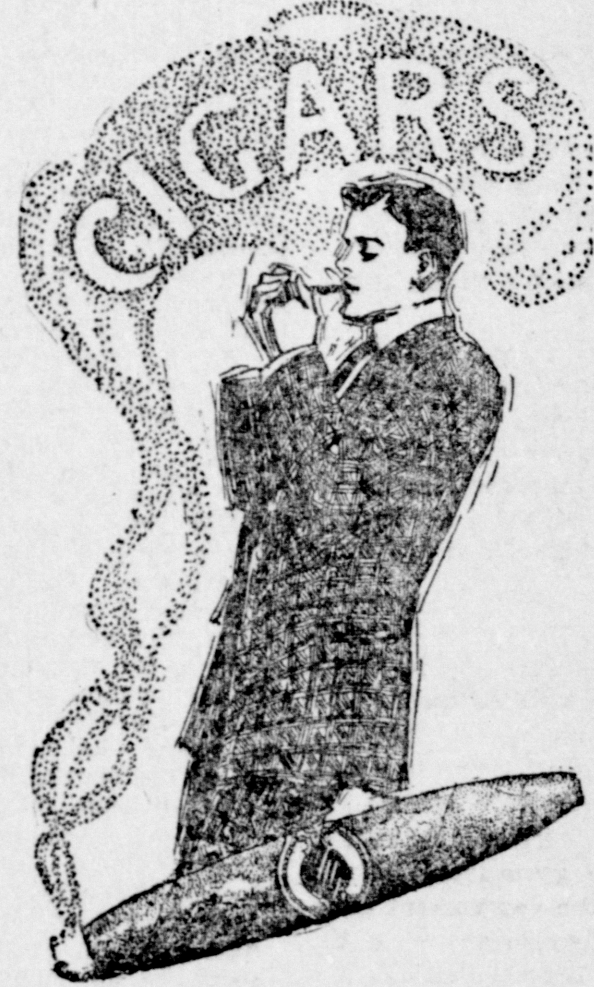
One after another, people are doing this every day. It is, it seems, immensely worse than the old drinking cup.

To lay this to the lack of pressure is begging the question. The condition exists, and a remedy, not an explanation, is needed. The cups serve no important purpose, so far as we can see.

Why not

"He Wants A Christmas Smoke"

And he won't be happy 'til he gets it. Ladies, you still have this evening and tomorrow in which to avoid the mistake of neglecting this important item. When he is irritable have you noticed how quickly a good cigar or a pipe will restore his good humor? There are masculine happiness and domestic felicity in good tobacco. Do it now—this evening or tomorrow. Be sure it is a good cigar or the right kind of a pipe. You don't know much about tobacco, but WE DO, and we are here to help you make your selections. Find out what HE smokes, whether Havana or domestic cigars, a briar or meerschaum pipe, a granulated or cut-plug tobacco. Then buy at a REGULAR cigar store. The man you buy for don't buy the "bargains" they offer in general stores. HE goes to a CIGAR STORE, because there is where the REAL BARGAINS are to be had. The men there know all about cigars, tobacco and pipes, and they will give you straight information about straight goods. We have competent and courteous clerks. They have been given instructions to pay special attention to lady customers, to advise them right and see that the ladies get something the men really want. Ladies who take this advice will not be wasting their money on stuff which the men to whom it is given will smoke under protest or give away to get rid of it. Remember, we are here to help women make sensible selections and our prices are most attractive. We quote a general survey of them, as follows:



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NORTH SIDE NEWS

YEHLE COMMANDS WOODMEN LODGE

Veteran North Side Policeman Elected to High Office at Meeting on Wednesday

The north side branch of the Woodmen of the World and the Ladies' Auxiliary, Rose Grove circle No. 4, held their annual election of officers at their meeting Wednesday evening. Alois A. Yehle, sixty-seven year old patrolman of the north side, is the head of the north side W. O. W. the coming year. Installation of the newly elected officers will be held the first meeting in January. Following are the officers selected by the W. O. W.:
 Consul-commander, A. Yehle.
 Advisor, Lieutenant, J. Brown.
 Banker, William Kennedy.
 Clerk, E. Yehle.
 Escort, William Stair.
 Watchman, James Harnish.
 Sentinel, Al Willett.
 Physician, Dr. G. W. Lueck.
 Trustee, J. Cary.
 Ladies' Auxiliary officers were chosen as follows:
 Guardian, Mrs. A. Yehle.
 Advisor, Mrs. Emma Knebes.
 Clerk, Emma Ryan.
 Banker, Mrs. J. J.
 Chaplain, Miss Jessie Foley.
 Inner sentinel, Mrs. Will Downs.
 Outer sentinel, Clara Willette.
 Manager for three years, Mrs. C. Yehle.
 Past guardian, Mrs. Alice Foley.

PAINTERS GO UP FOR ANOTHER GAME

The Painters took another step closer to the championship of the Commercial bowling league last evening, when they defeated the Premiums in three straight games, on the Combination alleys. Elmer Yehle was high man with a score of 198. Scores:
 Painters 1st 2nd 3rd
 Verket 176 192 150
 Hauser 154 196 182
 Mekvoid 177 165 142
 Sub 131 124 126
 Voves 181 120 143
 Totals 819 797 759
 Premiums 1st 2nd 3rd
 E. Yehle 198 124 153
 Howard 131 184 147
 Swanson 166 156 148
 Doekenhoff 145 147 136
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 Totals 784 762 739

STRANGE EQUINE DISEASE
 ALBERT LEA, Minn., Dec. 22.—Dr. Williams, a veterinarian, reports a peculiar disease among horses in the southern part of Waseca county. The disease seems to be a sort of progressive paralysis, sometimes attacking the animals at one point and sometimes another, while in some peculiarities the ailment is not unlike spinal meningitis. One man has lost seven head, all he had except one span and they were away from home, and others have had fatal cases of the disease.

NORTH SIDE IN BRIEF

Stanley Taylor, Mauston, Wis., is the guest of his parents on the north side this week.
 Ed Shaw, Elroy, Wis., visited with friends on the north side for a few hours yesterday.
 The game between the Nationals and the Nelsons on the Combination alleys which was scheduled for tonight has been indefinitely postponed.
 Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Sander, of

Minneapolis, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Jolivet, 1330 Berlin street.
 Michael Erickson, Minneapolis, spent Thursday as the guest of Mrs. A. Yehle, 1411 Avon street.
 Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Schweigert of 1337 Kane street, are the parents of a baby boy, born Tuesday.
 Mrs. Charles Medvitsky is the guest of her parents in Chicago for the Christmas holidays.
 Mr. and Mrs. H. Hayden of 1316 Avon street leave this evening for Milwaukee, Wis., where they will spend Christmas.
 Miss Alma Larsen of St. Paul, is

visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Larsen, 1517 Charles street.
 The Christmas exercises of the North Presbyterian church will be held this evening in the church at 7:30 o'clock.
 Miss Adah Streeter, who is a school teacher at Sisseton, S. D., is visiting at the home of her parents.
 Free! Free! With next Sunday Chicago Examiner, a beautiful Christmas picture. Don't miss it!
 Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman of Campbell, are visiting at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. Engler, 1223 Berlin street.
 Miss Mary Allen, who has been visiting friends on the north side, has left for Galesburg where she will visit relatives.
 Louis Anderson is seriously ill at his home, 1321 Kane street.
 Mr. Frank Percie of Madison, Wis., who has been visiting at the home of his brother, E. W. DeSautelle, of 1443 Avon street, returned home this evening.
 The Burlington Oriental Limited No. 52, was two hours late yesterday.
 Miss Helen and Jimmy Scholberg of 1124 Berlin street, left today for Minneapolis, for a visit with relatives and friends.
 Miss Edna Gilley of St. Paul is the guest of Miss Eloise Levee, 914 Gillette street, during the holidays.
 Mr. Thomas Skemp left last night for Dubuque, for a visit with relatives and friends.
 Miss A. Campan of Chicago, is visiting at the home of Mrs. L. A. Fjelstad, 1533 Berlin street.
 Mr. Arling Wasley of Minneapolis, Minn., is the guest of relatives and friends on the north side, during the holidays.
 Mr. J. J. O'Connell and wife, left today for Dubuque, for a visit with relatives and friends over Christmas.
 Mr. A. F. Richard left last night for Lascave, Wis., for a short visit with relatives and friends.
 Mrs. Martin Wrap, who has been visiting relatives and friends on the north side, has returned to her home in Norwalk, Wis.
 Miss Ruth Corrigan left today for Savanna to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Corrigan, during the holidays.
 Miss Fannie Hess of Louisville, Ky., is visiting at the home of W. J. Ott, 1425 Loomis street.
 Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ryan left today for their home in Conrad, Montana, after a visit with relatives and friends on the north side.

SHORT CHANGE MAN ATTEMPTS ESCAPE

Tom Bennett of Springfield, Mass., who is thought to be the man who has been working the short change trick in this city recently, was arrested in a Pearl street restaurant late yesterday afternoon by Officers Horschak and Deneen, but the prisoner did not go to the station until he had made a frantic dash for liberty.
 When Third and State streets was reached Bennett broke away from the officers and started to run away but pedestrians intercepted him and the patrolmen again captured him.

Never give up hope. Even a married man has a fighting chance.

FIRST STRAW HAT FOR 1912 SEASON

North Side Railroad Man Braves Volley of Snow Balls and Walks about Under Panama

The first straw hat of the 1912 spring season made its appearance on Mill street yesterday evening just after dusk. But few noticed the apparition at first, but as the news spread a crowd gathered for a glimpse of the only man in La Crosse courageous enough to face the wintry blasts of December and public opinion wearing a sky-piece suited to the balmy breath of spring. He escaped with his life.

The hat in question was a last year's panama in the best of condition. It was considerably the worse for wear after its owner's brief excursion on the street, several small boys with accurate throwing arms having succeeded in making a bullseye or two with the hat for a target and snowballs for missiles.
 The bold man is a well known railroader on the north side. While he was prudent enough to sport the flashy headgear only after dark, his act is considered to be rash in the extreme. Whether it was the result of a lost election bet or merely a foolhardy impulse similar to that which actuated the knight errants of olden days is unknown.

SUICIDE'S FUNERAL IS HELD TODAY

John Hanson, 717 Wall street, who hanged himself yesterday in a shed in the rear of his home, was buried shortly after noon today at the county cemetery on the poor farm.

FUNERAL TODAY

The funeral of Mrs. Fred G. Rowe, 1132 Charles street, who died Wednesday morning at the state hospital for the insane at Mendota, where she has been confined for two weeks, will be held Saturday afternoon from the house. Interment will take place at Brice's Prairie. The body of Mrs. Rowe arrived in La Crosse yesterday morning.

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 1553 Berlin Street

KOBLITZ & SCHNELL GROCERY CO.

Wish you all a Merry Christmas and also quote you some rock bottom prices which cannot be duplicated.

Raisins, seeded, per package 8c; four packages...30c
 Corn Flakes, fresh from the mills, package.... 7c
 Three packages for20c
 Pancake Flour, per package 8c; 2 for15c
 Matches, Ohio Blue Tips, 3c box; 7 boxes.....20c
 Matches, Radium, never sold at less than 5c; seven boxes for25c
 Borax, 15c package for.....10c
 10c package 8c; two for15c
 Salt, bags 10c; sack 8c; 2 for15c
 Coffee, Chase & Sanborn's 27c value, remember Saturday only at per pound25c
 Corn, 10c value, 2 cans to customer, per can...7½c
 Crackers, Samosets, special Saturday 3 pkgs...25c
 Cranberries, per quart.....10c
 Candies and Nuts. Our candies are all La Crosse make. If you want quality we have it. Our Xmas Nuts are guaranteed all new stock. Our prices and quality can't be beat. Holly, per pound only...5c
 We wish to call your attention to our Magazine Match Boxes which we have gotten out for Xmas. This article is useful in everybody's home and can be had for the asking. Don't be bashful. If you can't call we will include one with your phone order.

THANK YOU!

New Phone 219 815 Rose Street. Old Phone 7153

J. H. TIETZ

Your Christmas dinner is not complete without some of the following articles.

Monsoon Peas10c Monsoon Pineapple20c
 Monsoon Corn10c Monsoon Peaches15c
 Monsoon String Beans.....10c Monsoon White Cherries .15c
 Monsoon Kidney Beans ..10c Monsoon Red Cherries ...15c
 Home brand Olive Salad, per bottle25c
 Home brand Olives, up from.....10c
 F brand Olives, per quart25c
 Haaker's Horse Radish Salad, per bottle10c
 Lettuce. Celery. Green Grapes.
 Oranges, per dozen15c up to 40c

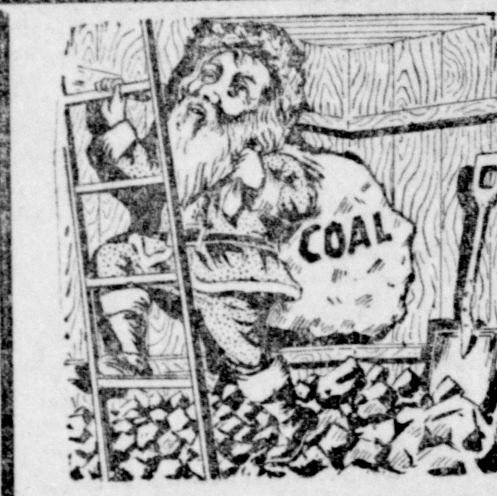
APPLES.

Jonathan, per peck40c Walbridge, per peck30c
 Spys, per peck40c OYSTERS, per quart35c
 Baldwin, per peck40c HOLLY, per lb.10c
 Gono, per peck35c

A full line of Candies and Mixed Nuts at reasonable prices.

Remember we are offering you good goods at reasonable prices, not poor goods at cheap prices. We wish our patrons a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Both Phones. 912 Logan St. South Side Deliveries.



If Santa Claus Finds Coal
 In your cellar he will know you are a good provider and that's the kind of people he likes. If you are not quite sure you have plenty better have us send you a ton or two. Above all things see that you have plenty for the kitchen range or else there may be trouble with the Christmas dinner.
STOEN & EBERHART CO.
 Coal—Coke—Wood Yard
 "The Home of Good Fuel"
 505 Wall St. Both Phones 191

Christmas Candy

New Nuts, Figs and Dates, Bananas, Oranges, Lemons, Apples and Cider, Oysters and Celery, Cranberries and Early Vegetables.

John C. Burns Fruit House

PERSONAL

When in doubt, go to the blue. C. W. Holway is in Milwaukee on business for several days this week. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Peterson are spending a few days in Milwaukee. S. La Chapelle is a business caller in Milwaukee for a short time this week.

J. A. Erickson came to the city from Winona yesterday to visit with friends here today.

Dr. Will Powell, diseases of women. H. Soltan, a resident of Bangor, is a La Crosse visitor for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Keating arrived in the city from Caledonia this morning to spend a few days. Edwin Peterson of Mindoro is calling on friends in La Crosse this week.

Don't forget the big sale of Leonas now on at Leona factory, 221 Main. Peter Peterson from Mindoro is visiting in the city for a few days.

Oscar Okon, whose home is in Mabel, Minn., is transacting business here for several days.

P. W. Palmer arrived in the city from Brownsville this morning to call on friends here.

J. A. Strand, a resident of Ferryville, is a guest of La Crosse friends for a few days.

Miss Ida Miller from Stoddard is spending a few days in La Crosse this week.

Dr. Geo. Powell, consulting physician and surgeon.

Miss Ella Miller is visiting in the city for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Abel Jorstad, who were in the city for a few days, returned to their home in West Salem this morning.

A membership in the Y. M. C. A. makes an ideal gift for the boy. Call on the Y. M. C. A.

H. Wright went to Austin, Minn., this morning after a business trip to La Crosse.

J. J. Martin, who lives in Harmony, is a La Crosse visitor for several days this week.

Miss Verna Zytoske came to the city from Genoa yesterday to spend a few days here.

The winter term of the Keefe Business College, corner Fourth and Pearl streets, will begin Jan. 2, 1912. Night school Tuesday and Friday evenings of each week. Special advantages to those who enroll now. Call, telephone or write for further information.

E. E. Mohr returned to Lansing, Iowa, yesterday afternoon following a visit with friends in La Crosse.

P. B. Qualey of Caledonia returned to his home this morning after transacting business in the city for several days.

Albert Wells of Winnebago, Minn., is a business caller in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clark from Mindoro are visiting friends in the city for several days.

Russell R. Rowe, a resident of Baraboo, is the guest of La Crosse friends this week.

Electric Christmas tree lights and flat irons at E. H. Jaekel's, 722 So. 6th.

L. E. Lee came to the city from Westby this morning to spend a few days here.

F. J. Votruba of Winona is transacting business in the city for several days.

James Healy, who lives in Spring Valley, Minn., is spending a few days in the city this week.

Only One "BROMO QUININE". That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Used the world over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

M. Swenson arrived in the city from Viroqua this morning to remain here on business for several days.

P. H. Madden, who lives in Sparta, is a La Crosse visitor today.

Prompt delivery of packages at reasonable rates. W. U. Tel. Co., both phones No. 9.

O. J. Larson, who was visiting with friends here the first of the week, returned to his home in Mabel, Minn., yesterday.

Excellent carriages. Gateway City Transfer Line. Phone 179.

Register of Deeds Andrew Thompson is suffering from a severe cold. Word has been received here to the effect that Ed. Grover at one time a resident of this city, died recently in the west.

Don't miss the ball at Linker hall, Saturday, December 23.

The directors of the Mutual Fire Insurance company of Shelby held its annual meeting for the purpose of settling of accounts today.

B. A. Yeomen meeting Tuesday night, Dec. 26, Linker hall. Dancng.

Miss Klauudia Nelson, deputy register of deeds has recovered from a slight illness which confined her to her home for several days.

Free! Free! With next Sunday Chicago Examiner, a beautiful Christmas picture. Don't miss it!

Mrs. Hannah Storkerson is going to Minneapolis tonight to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Storkerson.

Miss Josephine Koenig and Mrs. Charlotte Bauer leave for Milwaukee tomorrow and will spend the holiday season with relatives there.

Tips are much more profitable to waiters than they are to gamblers.

:: SOCIETY ::

VAN WORMER-ADAMS WEDDING BIG EVENT

WEST SALEM, Wis., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—One of the most charming social affairs that has occurred in this vicinity for some time culminated at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin McElowney on December 20, 1911, at 5:30 p. m., in the marriage of Miss Verna Blanche Van Wormer to Mr. Homer Adams of Ardmore, Okla.

The day dawned with all the splendor of ideal Christmas weather. Numerous relatives and friends were present and long before the appointed time the spacious home was taxed to the utmost.

Floral decorations were unusually pretty. In the parlor they were old gold, green, pale yellow and white. The windows were filled with feathery green and gold and white chrysanthemums interlaced. In the corner where the canopy were erected for the ceremony were large white bells, also great quantities of southern mistletoe were used which the bridegroom brought from his home.

The library carried with the season's favors of red and green holly, haws, and bells being used, also mistletoe and smilax and the warm lambent glow of the lights upon the cream yellow flowers and draperies throughout the house were beautiful, the whole having the appearance of some fairy Christmas land.

Shortly before the bridal party began to descend the stairway into the parlor where the ceremony was performed, Miss Maud Boyd of La Crosse struck the chords of Mendelssohn's Wedding March. Miss Jessie Van Wormer, sister of the bride, was met in the center of the parlor by Dr. Guy Wakefield, the best man, and the bridegroom. They met the bride and her uncle, Martin McElowney, where they proceeded under the canopy where they all formed a semi-circle and the bride was given away by her uncle.

The bridesmaid was charming in an elegant gown of white embroidery over pink taffeta. She carried a bouquet of pink roses. The stately beauty of the bride was enhanced by the rich white crepe meteor satin gown beautifully trimmed with white bands of baby Irish, entraine, with a panel of baby Irish over a crop skirt of hand made lace and insertion made by the grandmother who is 84 years old.

She carried a beautiful bouquet of bride's roses and ferns. The groom and best man were in full dress. The officiating clergyman, Rev. McKee, delivered the beautiful ring ceremony of the Presbyterian church. At the conclusion of the prayer the bride looked radiantly beautiful, the bridegroom handsome and happy, receiving congratulations after which delightful refreshments, consisting of a luncheon of turkey salad, potato chips, Parker house rolls, pickles, conserve, ice cream and cake.

The bride's cake was then brought in after the lunch and was cut by the bride. The guests held Christmas boxes in which to place the cake. Rachael McElowney drew the thimble, Dorothy Hart got the ring, Ann Johnson received the dime, Norman McElowney got the button and Miss Nellie Smead got the penny.

Those who served the supper were Gladys McElowney, whose gown was of yellow crepe; Rachael McElowney attired in pink chiffon over pink satin; Miss Pearl Cook, light blue chiffon over blue satin; Hazel Brown, blue silk; Helen Taylor, rose organdie; Virginia Samuels, white; Fay Aldrich, pink.

Dorothy Waite and Margaret Boles were the ushers.

The wedding was given by two aunts and the uncle, Martin McElowney.

Favors of the guests were double hearts hand painted and pierced with gold arrows. Miss Maud Boyd was given the bridal bouquet. Her gown was pink satin with pearl trimmings and was decolette. The bride's mother had a gown of blue messaline over tan silk.

One room was devoted to the wedding presents which were costly and beautiful. Heading the list of presents was a handsome oil painting "Security," done by Miss Mary McElowney, aunt of the bride. Cut glass, silver and bric-a-brac predominated. Numerous congratulatory messages were read during the evening. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mrs. Cora Van Wormer and she has always been a favorite among a large circle of friends and has many accomplishments. She pleased the guests with vocal selections.

The groom is a prominent newspaper man and real estate dealer in Ardmore, Okla., where he enjoys a high standing and he is well worthy of his lovely bride.

Out of town guests who attended the wedding were Mrs. H. C. Hart, Sr., Mrs. H. C. Hart, Jr., Mrs. Geo. Hauser, Mrs. Lee Asplin and Miss Maud Boyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams will be at home at Ardmore after January 20.

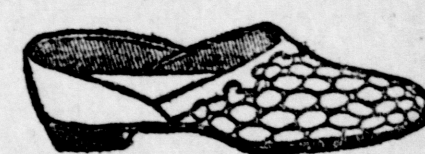
BIRTHDAY DINNER

Robert Farnam entertained at a dinner last evening in honor of his seventeenth birthday. Covers were

Save Money



Extra



98c 25c 49c

FOR any Woman's Felt Slippers, fur trimmed, in all colors, worth \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

FANCY Carpet Slippers in all colors, for men or women, sizes 3 to 11, worth 49c; just the thing for a present.

MEN'S Fancy Velvet Slippers, leather soles; makes a cheap and good present, worth 75c.

At 49c At 45c At 98c

The Choice of Ladies Felt Slippers, leather or felt soles, all sizes from 3 to 9, worth 65c and 75c.

You Can Get a Nice Pair of Red Felt Slippers for the girls and babies, leather soles and felt soles, worth 65c.

You Get the Choice of any Men's Leather Slipper in tan or black, trimmed in patent leather, worth \$1.25 to \$1.50.

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Furs for Christmas — well made, serviceable, stylish and at prices that are truly surprisingly low, you should call at

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A large selection in all the latest styles and most fashionable furs.

ANIMAL FUR RUGS

HEART IS BROKEN GREEN BAY REJECTS COMMISSION PLAN

CONVICTION AND IMPRISONMENT OF SONS FOR DYNAMITING SLOWLY KILLING MRS. McNAMARA

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Mary McNamara, mother of James and John McNamara, confessed dynamiters who are in the penitentiary at San Quentin, Cal., is slowly dying at her home in this city, the home that her convict boys helped to build for her. John Hickey, pastor of the church which Mrs. McNamara attended, said today: "That blow when her boys confessed—struck right to the heart. With her the shock is more deeply felt than to anyone else, and it will be a wonder if she survives long."

"I know that for years that mother worked from morning until night over a washboard that her boys could be spared right."

Mrs. McNamara had planned to go to California to visit her sons during the Christmas season, but on account of her condition, the trip has been deferred.

FATE OF CONVICT UNSETTLED

DENVER, Col., Dec. 22.—The fate of Sherman Morris, alias Frank Shercliff, whom Tom Dennison, Omaha's political boss, is striving to keep behind the bars of the Colorado penitentiary, will not be known for several days. After hearing the evidence of Dennison himself, and several witnesses who favor Shercliff, the board decided to postpone its decision in the case until it had made a further investigation of the Leadville angle of the case. It was because he was convicted of killing John Walsh, a miner at Leadville, that Shercliff was sent to the penitentiary for a 25 year term.

GREEN BAY, Wis., Dec. 22.—This city rejected the commission form of government at a special election yesterday by a majority of 215. A light vote was cast.

WRONG EYE GLASSES

You obtain these of canvassers who peddle glasses and pretend to fit your eyes.

Oftentimes you get duped too, with plated mountings for gold.

Don't make a mistake this Christmas.

"THEN YOU'LL COME TO ME"

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600 MAIN STREET, UPSTAIRS



Parker Fountain Pens, Lucky Curve \$1.50 Values at

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We will have all sorts of Christmas Cakes and Cookies Saturday. Let us show them to you. Orders delivered to all parts of the city, direct or through your grocer.

Ruplin Baking Co.

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Umbrellas

We still have very choice umbrellas and they make appropriate Christmas presents for both women and men. Prices range from

\$1.50 to \$9

Irvine's Jewelry Store

Campbell's Baked Beans

Plain or with Tomato Sauce

10 Cents

F. R. HICKISCH & SON

Staple and Fancy Groceries.

Ninth and Vine Streets.

Sheffield Plate

Choice pieces. Every article in this line makes a useful and lasting present. Our prices range from prices as low as

\$1.75 to \$25.00

Irvine's Jewelry Store

DON'T LET YOUR CHICKENS DIE.

We are experts on poultry diseases and have a specific remedy for each disease.

Call at our store and get a large poultry book free which will teach you how to take care of your poultry, feed and doctor them in case they get sick.

Should you not be able to diagnose their case come to us and we will assist you.

We are headquarters for poultry and stock remedies and carry all the leading brands.

We are sole agents for the celebrated Conkey Poultry Remedies. Come and see us.

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Columbian Drug Store, 123 S. 4th, next to 5 and 10c Store. City Book and Drug Store, 500-50. Main St.

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20,000-Mile Cruise
By the S.S. BLUEBIRD
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MAKE THE COMING
Christmas a joyous one for your Wife, Son or Daughter by depositing their credit at our Savings Department \$5, \$10, \$15 or more as a Christmas Gift.
They'll appreciate such a Gift—be proud of their Bank Account and strive to increase it. Act upon this suggestion today while you think of it—3 per cent interest will be added to the amount from January 1st.
THE SECURITY SAVINGS BANK
La Crosse, Wis.
Loans, Real Estate, Insurance

THE NEW JEFFERSON HOTEL
La Crosse, Wisconsin
The Best \$2.00 a Day House in the City
Frank Kohn
MANAGER

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT FIRST BAPTIST
For the first time in years a Christmas morning service will be held in a Protestant church Monday morning. Rev. Billings, of the First Baptist church, today announced that Christmas services will be held in his church at 7 o'clock Monday morning.

CARD OF THANKS.
We desire to express our sincere thanks to the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted and sympathized with us in our recent bereavement, also to those who sent the beautiful floral gifts.
MRS. LENA KEMSON.
MRS. KATE MILLER.
MRS. JENNIE DARLING.
MRS. SARAH HAARSTAD.
LOUIS DAHL.
AUGUST DAHL.

Butter
Dairy, in jars and rolls. . . . 35c
Creamery, per lb. 37c
Holland Dairy brand, in 2, 3 and 5 lb. jars 37c
Oleomargarine, per lb. . . . 17c
Milk. Cream. Buttermilk.
FRESH EGGS
35c
Every Egg a Fresh one.
Packed Eggs 25c
SMOKED FISH
OYSTERS.
ALL KINDS OF CHEESE.
PICKLED PIGS' FEET.
OLIVES IN GLASS AND BULK.
CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES ALL KINDS.
A Store Full of Good Things for Christmas Dinner.
The Dairy Store
112 South Fourth. Phones 392

TO HOLD "EXAM" FOR CITY SEALER

January 20 Is Date Set by State Civil Service Commission, Says Mayor Dengler

The state civil service commission will hold an examination for the position of sealer of weights and measures in La Crosse in this city on Saturday, January 20, 1912, according to advice received by Mayor John Dengler this morning.

It was stated in the communication that copies of the law and the instructions for weights and measures officials have been given to the mayor, local examiner and city library to be given to applicants. Applicants for the position of sealer of weights and measures must be at least twenty-one years old, but the preferred ages are from 21 to 45 years.

Application blanks should be obtained from the state civil service commission at Madison and they should be filled out and returned so as to get to the office of the state commission not later than 10 a. m., Tuesday, January 10. Permits will be sent to candidates who forward applications within the required limit and the candidates should present these permits to the examiner in charge on the day on which the test is held.

F. E. Doty, secretary and chief examiner, further said that any candidate who filed applications in the examination recently held here will not have to make out another blank. Permits will be given to such candidates on receipt of a letter asking for admittance to the examination.

LENNON WOULD WARN 'BOS' OF STONEPILE

Peter Lennon of the grounds and building committee of the county board of supervisors announced today that bids for furnishing of rocks for the stone pile at the county jail will be let today.

"And don't forget to give it plenty of publicity," said Lennon, who is evidently impressed with the idea that it pays to advertise the establishment of a stone pile as well as other things.

OCEAN SANTA CLAUS LEAVES GIFTS BEHIND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Santa Claus agent who makes a regular annual trip to Europe was forced to leave behind him at the dead letter office this year some 2,000 Christmas presents and 3,800 Christmas letters and postcards.

The wrapped-up presents were unmailable in the international parcels post either because they did not have enough stamps on them or because the senders forgot to affix the customs declarations which are furnished free at every postoffice.

The letters and postcards could not go because they bore Christmas stamps and labels forbidden by foreign postoffices.

PROGRAM GIVEN AT HOGAN SCHOOL

At the Hamilton school last night a program rendered entirely alumni of the school, was given for the grammar school children and their parents. The efforts of each participant was enthusiastically received and every member had to respond to an encore. The program was as follows:

Piano solo, March in B, Miss Klossheim.
Songs, Carroll College quartet.
Solo, Miss Alma Hosely.
Solo, Miss Einar Risberg.
Recitation, Miss Helen Peterson.
Solo, Mrs. Percy Chilly.
Recitation, Mr. Will Wagner.
Solo, Miss Winifred Forbes.
Piano solo, Miss Helen Klossheim.

BROWN TALKS PENSIONS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Sherwood dollar-a-day pension bill was discussed in the senate by Mr. Brown (Rep., Neb.) who expressed regret that the "committee on pension could not have met yesterday, approved the bill and sent it to the president before the Christmas holidays." He said it would be an appropriate gift for the veterans. Mr. Brown predicted that the senate could not "dodge" action on the bill, as it did on a similar measure last session.

CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY

William Franz, 318 South Fourth street, celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday yesterday and he was remembered by his friends who sent him many birthday postal cards. Mr. Franz is an old resident of this city he having been here ever since 1851.

A Strand of Gold Beads

makes a nice Christmas present. Solid gold beads at \$8.00, \$9.00, \$12.00, \$15.00
Gold filled beads \$4.00 and \$5.00
IRVINE JEWELRY STORE

MISSIONARIES ARE GETTING RESULTS

Band Appointed by Bishop Schwebach to Give Missions Meet with Great Success

The La Crosse Diocesan Missionaries, Fathers Felix A. Byrne and Peter D. Hayden, are now located permanently at 320 Cass street, this city.

Within the present year Bishop Schwebach organized the Apostolate Mission Band for the purpose of giving missions throughout the diocese to Catholics and non-Catholics.

"Statistics show that nearly two-thirds of the American people are unchurched."

"In all parts of the country, especially in the large cities, there is a strong forward movement on the part of the unsettled multitude towards the Catholic church," said Father Byrne.

The present universal missionary movement to reach the non-Catholic public is making splendid progress in bringing back many sincere souls to the Faith of Our Fathers.

Since September first, in the ten weeks' missions recently concluded by Father Byrne and his companions, fifty-three adults, men and women, have embraced the Catholic faith. Many others have started to study the teachings of the church.

When the Fathers are at home between missions at their Cass street residence, they will devote their time to non-Catholic class work—explaining the teachings of the church to all who wish to know and understand their doctrines.

No fees are charged and kindness is the rule of the apostolate.

At this date the Fathers have nine weeks of missions booked for the first part of 1912. Two of these are missions to non-Catholics.

Father Byrne will go to Seneca, Crawford county, to officiate this Sunday and Christmas.

PIRATES LEADING Y. M. C. A. LEAGUE

Victory Over Giants Boosts Pirates Into First Place; Peterson Stars with 16 Points

Standing of the Y. M. C. A. basketball league teams:

	W.	L.	Pct.
Pirates	2	0	1.000
Giants	1	1	.500
Cubs	0	1	.000
Sox	0	1	.000

In a well played game of basketball the Pirates defeated the Giants in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last night by the score of 30 to 10, thereby giving them the undisputed lead in the race for the championship as well as giving them a record of two victories out of two contests.

During the first half the game was close, the score at the end of that period being 16 to 8 in favor of the Pirates, but in the second half the Pirates proved altogether too fast for their opponents who scored but two points, while they were running up fourteen, thus bringing their total up to 30.

Lineup:
Pirates—Forwards, M. Anderson and Peterson; center, Lavold; guards, Kelley, Minert and Monti.
Giants—Forwards, Donald and Weimar; center, Stow; guards, Halseth, Falk and Kolb.
Summary: Field goals, Donald 3, Stow 1, Lavold 5, M. Anderson 2, Peterson 8. Free throws, Stow 2.

HIGHS TO PLAY ALUMNI TONIGHT

The second basketball game on the high school's schedule will be played with the alumni tonight in the Normal gymnasium. Both the grads and students are highly worked up as to the outcome of the game. Because of the interest displayed a very good game is expected and a good turn-out is desired.

MARKETS WILL CLOSE

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—All markets here will close this afternoon not to reopen until Tuesday morning.

A Blaze Of Glory

The Parker idea has triumphed. Modern methods, attention to details, knowing how to do things, has crowned our efforts.

Today we stand as the leading jewelry house of La Crosse, as attested by a volume of business that has excited the wonder of competing dealers and the bountiful admiration of a discriminating public.

We solicit your continued favors, that the Christmas season may close for us in a blaze of glory.

Parker
JEWELRY
Majestic Building.

DYNAMITE PROBE IS ONLY BEGUN

Federal Grand Jury at Indianapolis Has Completed But Preliminary Work

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 22.—When the federal grand jury, investigating the alleged dynamite conspiracy, adjourns late this afternoon until January 3, it will have completed only the preliminary stage of its work. Up to the present it has heard evidence connecting certain members of the executive committee of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron workers with the explosions on jobs operated by the National Erectors' association. It has established the connection between certain intimate friends of J. J. McNamara and these explosions, but has not tried to determine whether these explosions were financed from outside sources.

The latter work has been deferred until after the holidays. For the next week federal district attorney Miller and his corps of aides will be engaged in preparing evidence for the jury which, it is asserted by the federal officials, who show conclusively where the money for explosions came from, and will also develop, these officials hope, that certain prominent politicians "blackmailed" the executive committee of the bridge workers, and at least three other prominent labor leaders of national reputation, by threatening to cause arrests for violence in various localities.

Most of today's session of the federal grand jury was devoted to completing the chain of evidence against the men who were responsible for the transfer of high explosives through Massachusetts, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Nebraska. This evidence is so conclusive, it is asserted, that indictments could be drawn immediately after the government was not planning to vote all indictments in a mass, in order to prevent leaks which would permit the accused men to escape.

The state investigation of the allegation that members of the federal grand jury and Prosecutor Baker had been harassed by detectives of the National Erectors' association will not be begun until the second week in January.

BRADISH COMPLETES MAP

City Engineer George P. Bradish has completed a map of the city showing all the water mains which have been laid and which the city is contemplating installing and the distribution system.

The chart shows that nearly every point in the city has easy access to one of the mains. In red lines the mains which the city plans to install as an extension are shown, and if they are laid it will mean about 3 1/4 miles additional will be installed here.

BONDS LET TODAY.

William Torrance was awarded the special street improvement bonds this afternoon for this city. There were thirty bonds, ten each of \$70, \$83 and \$182.

STATE AID FOR LA CROSSE COUNTY

La Crosse county's share of the state aid for schools is to be \$27,929.59, according to the figures received in La Crosse today from Madison.
The entire amount of the state school aid fund this year is \$2,087,077.93, and La Crosse's share is based on the 14,137 school children in the county.

Reliable Watches Standard Makes Reasonable Prices

Our watch trade has been unusually good the last few days. Our sales have been on good reliable watches not so much the cheap kind.

We do not pretend to sell a \$20 watch for \$10.00 or \$12.00, but claim good value and a watch that will please the future owner.

Watches for ladies, 14K solid gold cases, O size, New Elgin 15 Ruby jeweled movements, \$20, \$22, \$25, \$28, \$30.

Same with large Diamond set in case \$15.00.

Goldfilled cases the very best Boss or Crescent, plain and engraved styles, New Elgin 15 Ruby jeweled movement \$17.00, \$19.00, \$20.00.

OOO Dauber Hampton \$12.00, \$14.00, \$16.00.

Watches for Men. Solid gold 14K cases, Elgin or Waltham movement, 12 size thin style, 17 Ruby jewels, \$15.00, \$50.00, \$58 and up.

Waltham Colonial Open face best grade goldfilled Crescent case, 17 jeweled movement, \$28, \$30

The latest: A new watch made by the Waltham Co. Open face thin style, nickel, 7 Jewel movement. A fine watch, one that will keep correct time and not cause trouble. Fully warranted, \$5.00.

Honest Watches, Honest Prices, Perfect Satisfaction guaranteed.

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Useful and Practical Gifts for Men

Get him something he really wants—From "A men's store"—

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SELL XMAS SEALS IN THE POSTOFFICE

Nurses from Hospital at Work There and in Other Downtown Buildings; Fund Is Increasing

In order to help out the fund to be raised in this city by the sale of the Christmas seals for the stamping out of tuberculosis, the nurses of the various hospitals are selling the stamps in the postoffice lobby this week. Today the La Crosse hospital nurses are disposing of the seals in the federal building, yesterday the nurses of the Lutheran hospital sold the seals, while on Wednesday the St. Francis hospital nurses had charge of the sale. Many of the seals were sold at the government building this week and the expectations that the sale would help the fund greatly were realized.

Success attended the showing of the film "The Awakening of John Bond" at the Bijou theater, and Manager McWilliams helped the fund along materially. As a result of the "egg matinee," admission to which was one egg, twelve dozen eggs were received and they were sent to St. Michael's Orphan Home as was the plan of Manager McWilliams. Many paid admissions were also received, the sum of \$9.15, \$5.90 of which resulted from the admissions while the remainder was from the sale of seals, being given to the school nurse fund.

FIGHT OVER FREIGHT RATES IS SETTLED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The contention between wholesalers of Sioux City, Iowa, and those of St. Paul and Minneapolis over freight rates to the district of Southwestern Minnesota, equidistant from the two points, was settled by the interstate commerce commission today in favor of Sioux City, when the railroads were ordered to equalize rates to the territory.

A feature in the fight came when the railroads attacked the authority of the Minnesota railroad commission in the U. S. court, which in July perpetually enjoined the enforcement of the state commission's order prescribing lower rates to the territory from the Twin cities. The Sioux City Commercial club complained to the interstate commerce commission that the Twin cities still had the advantage of Sioux City.

PROFESSOR URGES STUDENTS' RETURN

Thursday morning Mr. McCormick called the students of the high school together for the last assembly of the year. He urged the students who are up in their studies to enjoy the vacation, which lasts until Wednesday, January 3, by not taking a study home. Those who are low he asked to study an hour a day and thereby be able to pass at the end of the semester. He also asked each and every one to be sure and come back next year and not let any influence at this time take him away from a world opportunity.

A canvass of the students was also made to secure the names of those who will buy season tickets for the basketball games. A large number was secured and a successful season financially is assured.

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A coal that is all coal, is practically sootless and burns up as clean as wood. **BLACK JO COAL** is equal to Hocking and much cleaner. Why pay high prices for other coal when you can get **BLACK JO**.

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TAFT ASKED TO END TURK WAR

Dr. Lyman Abbott Urges President to Offer Services as a Mediator

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—President Taft has been asked to exercise his good offices to end the war between Italy and Turkey. The plea for mediation was made by Dr. Lyman Abbott, editor of The Outlook, of which Theodore Roosevelt is contributing editor, and Dr. Mary Eddy, famous woman surgeon who is engaged in medical work in Turkey.

The president took the matter under advisement.

"I took no message to President Taft from Colonel Roosevelt," said Dr. Abbott when he left the president, at the home of the president's brother, Henry W. Taft.

Earlier in the day there had been rumors that there would be important developments today between the president and Colonel Roosevelt, and when Dr. Abbott appeared it was believed he carried a message from the contributing editor.

William Barnes, Jr., chairman of the republican state committee, visited the president for two hours today. He declined, when he left, to tell newspapermen anything of his visit, other than to say: "I called on the president because he sent for me."

PUBLICITY THE CURE FOR CRIME

Speakers Score Conduct of Fire and Police Commission on Star Chamber Methods

Declaring that publicity of all police records and court proceedings is the only way to insure clean city government, H. L. Taylor led the affirmative side of the question: "Resolved, that full publicity should be given all police records and court proceedings," debated by the Franklin club last night. That the large audience and members of the club who attended heartily endorsed the statement of Mr. Taylor, was shown by its reception.

In continuing his argument, Mr. Taylor declared that publicity in these matters is an essential to the best interests of society and that it is a duty which the police and fire commission, as servants of the public, owe to society.

The jury rendered a verdict to the opinion that the affirmative was right in its stand for publicity in all matters in which the welfare of the public is at stake.

The affirmative speakers were H. L. Taylor, P. W. Mahoney and M. N. Downey. Professor Elliott, Professor Harry Spence and H. Robinson upheld the negative.

Bergh Wants to See You Before Christmas.

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Every family should have a jar of MUSTEROLE at hand at this season. It is the quickest relief for Sore Throat, Bronchitis, Tonsillitis, Croup, Stiff Neck, Asthma, Neuralgia, Headache, Congestion, Pleurisy, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Pains and Aches of the Back or Joints, Sprains, Sore Muscles, Bruises, Chills, Frosted Feet, Colds of the Chest (it prevents Pneumonia). Nothing like MUSTEROLE for croupy children.

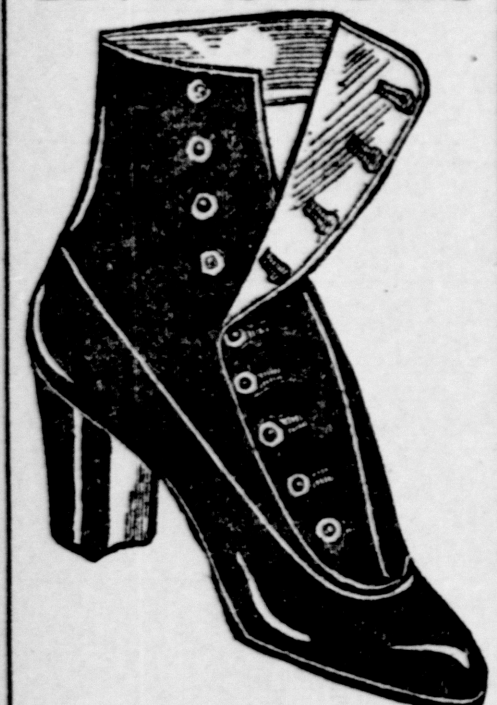
For sale by leading druggists everywhere. Many of these display the MUSTEROLE sign (shown below) in their windows. MUSTEROLE comes in jars of two sizes, 25c and 50c. Accept no substitute. If your druggist cannot supply you, send 25c and we will mail you a jar postage prepaid. The Musterole Company, Cleveland, Ohio.



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food laws discovered here.
GENEVA—An Italian princess, said to be the Duchess of Aosta, cousin of the king of Italy, is reported to have been robbed here of jewels worth \$276,000.

GIVE SHOES



VELVET SHOES
Plain toe, short vamp, button.
Pair \$3.00.
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Satin top, stage last, plain toe or tip.
Pair \$3.50.

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Poke around Roth's windows for Christmas gift ideas.

SPORTING NEWS

DUFFY SELECTS ALL-OLYMPIAD

Former Sprinter Picks Athletes that He Thinks would Make Good Showing

Arthur Duffey, the one time great sprinter, has picked an all-American athletic team for the Boston Post, which it is suggested, would make a strong basis around which to build an American team for the olympic games in Stockholm, Sweden, next year. It follows:

Ralph Craig, Michigan, 100 yard dash, 0:9 4-5.
Ralph Craig, Michigan, 220 yard dash, 0:21 1-5.

D. B. Young, Amherst and Boston A. C., 440 yard run, 0:48 4-5.

M. W. Sheppard, Irish-American A. C., 80 yard run, 1:54 4-5.

John Paul Jones, Cornell, one mile, 4:15 2-5.

George Bonhag, Irish-American A. C., five mile run, 24:58.

Lewis Scott, South Paterson, ten mile run, 52:20.

F. A. Chisholm, Yale, 120 yard hurdles, 0:15 2-5.

J. J. Eller, Irish-American A. C., 230 yard low hurdles, 0:24 4-5.

F. Kaiser, New York A. C., one mile walk, 7:06.

H. Grumpelt, New York A. C., high jump, 6 ft. 3 3/4 in.

A. L. Guterson, Boston A. A., running broad jump, 28 ft. 11 in.

Matt McGrath, unattached, 56 pound weight, 40 ft. 3 3/4 in.

D. F. Ahearne, Chicago, hop, step and jump, 51 ft. 3 3/4 in.

Martin Sheridan, Irish-American A. C., discus throw, 141 ft. 4 in.

O. Smedegard, San Francisco, javelin throw, 166 ft.

P. McDonald, Irish-American A. C., shot put, 48 ft. 11 3/4 in.

E. T. Cook, Cleveland, pole vault, 12 ft. 6 in.

William Kramer, Long Island A. C., cross country, 37:09.

F. Thompson, Chicago, all around champion.

Clarence DeMar, North Dakota A. A., marathon champion.

Jim Thorpe, Carlisle Indian school, pentathlon event.

Platt Adams, New York A. C., decathlon event.

AMERICANS AFTER CUP

NTW YORK, Dec. 22.—According to cablegrams from New Zealand, the dates for holding the tennis matches for the Davis International cup, now held by Australian players, will be December 29, 30 and January 1. The American team is now at Christ church, New Zealand. Great confidence is felt here that the Americans will be able to bring the cup back with them.

COURT CARNIVAL AT THE NORMAL

Girls' Team Opens Program Tonight; Normal Alumni Plays Present Team; Highs Play

La Crosse will be offered one of the biggest treats it ever had in the basketball line tonight when three big games are to be played. The Normal and the high school have decided to stage their alumni games on the Normal floor and two of the best and hardest games of the year will be played. In addition to this the girls' team of the high school will play the girls' alumni as a curtain raiser and this alone will give followers of the sport their money's worth.

The Normal team has been hard at work all week and know that they will have a hard job downing the alumni, but expect to do it. Confidence has been instilled in them by the two overwhelming victories of the last week when they defeated Galesville high school, 72 to 6 and the Agricultural school 79 to 7. From reports received it seems that Griffin, Huber, Sloggy, Schmitz and Olson have been going through some quiet training and are ready to bet their last cent that they will defeat their alma maters. The normal lineup will be Hyde, center; Bonneville and Dahl, forwards and Byers and Glassbrenner, guards.

The High team is anxiously awaiting its first game of the season and expect to avenge the last year's defeat at the hands of the alumni. That the alumni will have an all star team is well known and no easy time is expected. Most all of the alumni have been practicing on either class or varsity teams and will not be at disadvantage as far as training is concerned. With such stars as Dahlgren of Beloit, the two Bradishes, Larson and a host of others from the "U," the team that will be picked will be an all-star collection.

WAGNER SPRAINS HIS ANKLE AGAIN

PETERSBURG, Ind., Dec. 22.—While engaged in a game of basketball at Bicknell, fourteen miles north of this city, Hans Wagner, the great Pittsburgh National league shortstop, sprained his ankle—the same ankle that was injured in a baseball game last summer.

Wagner and Jack Miller, second baseman for the Pirates, were for several days the guests of M. C. Phillippe of Bicknell while on a quad hunt. The Bicknell high school club played against one selected from the local players, Wagner playing right forward and Miller center. Phillippe right guard, Hulen left forward, and Wampler left guard. Wagner's independents scores as follows: Wagner made four goals, Hulen 4, Wampler 3 Phillippe 2. Wagner and Hulen each threw a foul goal, the Wagner independents winning the game by a score of 28 to 16.

JOHNSON BACK FROM EUROPE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Jack Johnson, undisputed heavyweight champion of the world, who returned to America last night on the Kron Prinzessin Cecilie, declared today he would leave this afternoon for Chicago to "look after his business interests."

The big smoke seemed to be in almost perfect physical condition, and to disprove the stories that he was "hog fat" after his trip abroad, he stepped on the scales and showed that, fully dressed, he weighed only 236.

"Don't believe all of these stories about me," said Johnson today. "I'm as good as ever, and there isn't a man in the world I won't fight if a purse of \$20,000 is offered. I have not retired from the ring. Don't let them tell you either that I am broke. I had a good time abroad and bought a new racing car—but I came back with more money than I had when I started."

NELSON-HOGAN FIGHT TONIGHT

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Great interest centers in tonight's ten round bout between Battling Nelson, former lightweight champion of the world, and One Round Hogan, the California champion. If the fight comes up to expectations it is probable the boys will be matched for a finish fight on the coast, for which Nelson has offered to post a \$2,500 side bet.

PAGE PICKS TEAM

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Coach "Pat" Page of the university of Chicago basketball squad has decided on an informal first team which will take a practice trip within the next two weeks. The men included in the team are Captain Sauer, Freeman, Paine, Boyle, Bell, Norgren, Goldstein, Pollack, Brooks and T. E. Nett.

The first match will be played at Winona, Ind., against the Winona agricultural school. Then the team will go to Toledo and then to Detroit, playing the Y. M. C. A. team in each city.

Will Let Wife Wed Another
MACON, Ga.—Because his young bride has fallen in love with his brother, J. C. Beck, J. L. Beck planned to permit his wife to get a divorce so she may marry the man she loves.

STORE OPEN TO-NIGHT UNTIL 9 P. M. TOMORROW (SATURDAY) LAST DAY BEFORE XMAS UNTIL 10 P. M.



DON'T WAIT. SHOP TONIGHT OR TOMORROW FORE-NOON, WHEN YOU CAN SHOP IN COMPARATIVE COMFORT.

THE CONTINENTAL'S SANTA CLAUSE'S LAST CALL

GOOD NEWS to late shoppers—For two weeks we have been tracing a shipment of

BATH ROBES AND SMOKING JACKETS

that was lost in transit by one of the Express companies. This shipment arrived this morning. The manufacturer notified us to place them ON SALE, if they arrive before Christmas,

AT WHOLESALE COST FOR SELLING PRICE

and charge them up with our loss. The makers' loss will be your gain.

If it's one of these popular garments you are intending to buy him for his Christmas gift, now is the time to get it.

Handsome Bath Robes PRICED AT
Handsome Smoking Jackets PRICED AT

\$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00 | **\$4, \$5, \$6, \$7.50, \$8.50**

We also have a few nice Blue Velvet Jackets left, regular selling value \$12.50. Our last call price **\$8.50**

20 PER CENT OFF on all TRAVELING BAGS AND SUIT CASES OF \$10.00 AND OVER

Just received a new lot of elegant **SILK NECKWEAR** in fancy boxes, each **50c**

STORE CLOSED ALL DAY CHRISTMAS



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HENRY N. BOEHM, MANAGER

CHARLIE MURPHY GETS IN TROUBLE

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 22.—Roger Bresnahan, manager of the St. Louis National league team, Thursday admitted that he had filed charges against Charles W. Murphy, owner and president of the Cubs, before the national commission, demanding that Murphy be made to answer for an alleged insult at the recent meeting in New York. In his formal charge against Murphy, Bresnahan alleges that the Cub president called him a liar and added: "I have something on you and will drive you from organized baseball."

When asked concerning the charges Thursday, Bresnahan said: "Yes, it is true that I have preferred charges, but I do not think it would be wise for me to make any further statement for publication until the commission has taken formal action."

PACKY SAYS HE WILL NOT RETIRE

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Packy McFarland has changed his mind about retirement from the ring. "I did intend to get out of the game," said the idol of the stock yards, here today, "because I was discouraged at the criticism heaped upon me after my Thanksgiving day match with Murphy, and because it was the hardest sort of a grind constantly to be working to keep my weight down to the proper limit."

"I will get back into active training next month, hoping to land a match with Wo-gast."

JONES IS PRESIDENT

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 22.—Fielder Jones, formerly manager of the Chicago White Sox, as a full fledged magnate today. He was unanimously elected president of the Northwestern league here last night.

To The Men of La Crosse

You use your feet more than any other part of your body—
They deserve care, consideration—
When your hose rub, chafe, irritate and annoy your feet
Why don't you look to the **CAUSE?**
Don't buy salves—
Don't fill your foot pores with powders—that eventually **harden** the skin and make corns and bunions.

wear Socks that fit—right

Use the same care in buying socks that you do in buying clothes—
Consider this: Every 1/4 inch "off size" in your sock means a wrinkle that will rub and blister your foot—

STOP torturing your feet
TRY ONE PAIR of RIGHT FITTING soft—aseptic—



Guaranteed Hosiery

And you'll always wear them.
Your feet will cease annoying you—
You'll be able to walk better, farther and with perfect comfort—

Try one pair—

you'll thank us for adding to your comfort—give your foot ease—

Remember to **ask for your size**

ALWO Hose

Mens 4 Pair for \$1.00
Mens 6 Pair for \$1.50
Mens 603 3 Pair for \$1.00
Mens 800 4 Pair for \$2.00
Mens 901

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For Saturday We Offer These Extraordinary Specials!

GLOVES

Saturday Specials in Gloves—From 9 to 11 in the morning and 7 to 9 in the evening, we place on sale one lot of long Black Kid Gloves, values to \$3.50, at pair **\$2.39**

One lot of 2 clasp Glace, 2 clasp Mocha and 1 clasp heavy Street Gloves, values to \$1.50, at pair **79c**

Ladies' Silk Mull Auto Scarfs, in shaded effects and small patterns, values to \$1.25, Saturday **79c**

HANDKERCHIEFS

HANDKERCHIEFS — Ladies' initialed and hand embroidered all linen handkerchiefs, values to 19c, at **12½c** each

Men's all linen initial handkerchiefs, at 12½c, 15c, 25c, 35c and **50c**

Ladies' very fine sheer all linen handkerchiefs, with beautiful hand embroidered initials, values to 35c, at **19c** each

Ladies' embroidered all linen handkerchiefs, slightly mused; values to \$1.00; cleanup price, each **25c**

Imported Bead Bags HALF PRICE

Big cut in price on all fine Leather Bags for Saturday.

Neckwear Special!

Beautiful Irish lace trimmed Jabots; value to \$4.00, at **\$1.89**

BACK COMBS AND BARRETTES

Newest Jeweled Back Combs and Barrettes, 75c values, at **50c**

MEN LATE BUYERS SAYS MERCHANT

Local Storekeeper Avers that Men Are Responsible for the Christmas Rush

PRACTICAL GIFTS THIS YEAR

Merchants Rejoice Over Purchase of Useful Articles Instead of Valueless "Junk"

Men are the worst offenders of the Christmas rush, and it is the fact that men are late shoppers that is to blame for the congestion of shops the week before Christmas. This is the belief of a merchant in La Crosse who is in a position to be acquainted with the facts.

This merchant says that men never give the buying of presents a thought until the last moment. They never think of them until their wives begin to nag them about the declaration that the Christmas parcels must be dispatched in a day or two, he claims. Then he says that all of a sudden they get the Christmas spirit and rush down to the stores and purchase a gift for everyone that they can think of.

The Christmas rush this year in La Crosse, while not as bad as in some former years, owing to the persistent agitation through the press to "shop early," is filling the stores to overflowing every day.

The stores during the present week do not open until nine o'clock in the morning, and close at eight at night, thus keeping within the limits of working time prescribed by law. From the time the stores are opened in the morning until they close at night the stores are thronged with people blocking the aisles in many cases before counters containing popular articles.

The windows of the stores up and down Main street present a festive appearance well in keeping with the holiday air that permeates the downtown streets. The windows are loaded with toys, silks, furs, jewelry and hundreds of other dainty articles that are practical and pleasing as gifts.

One storekeeper recently remarked on the preponderance of sensible, practical gifts over those merely "fussy." This feature of the holiday this year he said he hoped would become permanent. He declared that it was as welcome to the keepers of the stores as to the recipients of the gifts.



Store Open
Evening until
Christmas

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\$300 USED OAK UPRIGHT,

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\$300 NEW SAMPLE PIANO, OAK UPRIGHT,

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CECELIAN PIANO PLAYER, WITH 40 ROLLS
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MANY OTHER BARGAINS. CALL TODAY.

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LA CROSSE, WIS.

EAT BIG SUPPERS TO AVOID CRIME

CALEDONIA, Minn., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Is it a crime for minors to eat in Caledonia after 10 p. m.? Well, no, not exactly, they still have the alternative of stealing into the pantry at home and appeasing their appetites, but let the ever watchful village constable cast his optics on a member of the immature population, feasting at the lunch counter of a restaurant, and he forthwith becomes a criminal with the pleasant prospect of having a likeness of his physiognomy decorating the rogues' gallery and plaintive appeals to father staring him in the face.

This is the result of the recent ordinance passed by the city council. Not only must the restaurant keepers act as curfew patrols in the future, but pool and billiard halls must close at 10 p. m. and no longer will the Sabbath be desecrated by the sound of clicking pool balls and the continued thunder of flying ten pins.

MINNEAPOLIS PLANS BUILDING GROUP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A delegation of prominent Minneapolis citizens asked Secretary MacVeagh today to delay construction of the new million dollar Minneapolis federal building, the contract for which was let December 1, for one year, during which time it is thought likely Minneapolis will decide to have a group plan of public buildings, in which case the railroads will have a single union station on the group plan, and it will be desirable to have the new postoffice near this proposed station.

MacVeagh said he would not grant the delay unless the delegation could show him plainly the sentiment of Minneapolis is for the delay. He gave the delegation sixty days in which to make this showing.

BRYAN SAYS HARMON LACKS IN COURAGE

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 22.—W. J. Bryan has "culled the records" on Governor Harmon and declares in his Commoner that the Ohio executive lacked the courage to either sign or veto the public utilities bill—a progressive measure enacted into law by the last Ohio legislature. Bryan says in part:

"The bill is up to date in every particular and is all that its panegyrists say it is. The commission has control over all stock and bond issues, and no stock or bond dividends can be distributed without an order of the commission."

White Man's Burden.

Many a white man's burden is made up of taxes and life insurance.—Chicago News.

COST AND PROFITS IN MAN'S SUIT

The costs and profits in a man's \$25 fancy worsted ready-made suit, from the tariff board's report, which was messaged to congress by President Taft, are as follows:

Cost of raising wool in Ohio	1.55
Farmers' profit	.68
Wool brokers' commission	.19
Cost of making cloth	2.13
Woolen manufacturers' profit	.23
Trimnings, linings, etc.	2.77
Cost of making suit	3.74
Office expense, overcharges, etc.	1.12
Clothing manufacturers' selling expense	1.91
Clothing manufacturers' profit	2.18
Retailer's expenses and profit	8.50
Price to consumer	\$25.00

Fortunately. There is a lot of virtue that is just from force of habit.—New York Press.

ALLEGED BRIBER NABBED

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—G. J. Byrne was arrested yesterday afternoon in the United States circuit court charged with offering a bribe of \$1,000 to Frederick S. Dole, a juror in the case of B. H. Scheffels and others of that brokerage establishment, who are charged with using the mails to defraud. The arrest was made by William J. Flynn, federal secret service agent. Byrne was immediately arraigned by Judge Ray, who held him in \$10,000 bail for examination.

ALLEGED ABSCONDER HELD

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Columbus detectives yesterday caused the arrest of Vernon H. Bostwick, who is alleged to be wanted in Culbertson, Mont., on a charge of absconding with \$15,000 of the funds of the farmers' and merchants' bank there. Bostwick says that he has settled up with the Montana bank and is not wanted there, but he is being detained at the city prison pending the arrival of instructions from the Montana authorities.

PLAN LONG ROAD

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 22.—The ocean to ocean transcontinental highway association was organized here at a meeting of delegates from California, New Mexico and this state. The organization is formed to urge a transcontinental road through congressional and state aid. J. S. Mitchell, of Los Angeles, was chosen president of the organization.

FACTORY GIRL WINS MILLIONAIRE'S HEART

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 22.—Mayor James C. Haynes today qualified as Cupid by discovering "a girl with brown eyes who bandaged my hand in a street car accident in Minneapolis," for George Barnes, Jr., millionaire bachelor of New York City.

On December 13 Barnes fell on the slippery pavement on Lake street and cut his hand. A beautiful young girl, passing at the time, dressed the wound with her handkerchief. As she attempted to go, a postal card photograph of herself fell from her handbag. Barnes seized the picture and it was torn in half, with the girl's likeness still in his possession.

A week later Barnes appealed from New York to Mayor Haynes to find the girl, enclosing the photograph. He declared that the brown eyes of the unknown girl who dressed his wound had "touched his heart" and that he wanted her to become his wife.

Yesterday Miss Irma Strovaska, 18, working in a local factory, called up Mayor Haynes and said: "I am willing to see him again."

Now it is up to Mr. Barnes.

The End Tomorrow

Only one more day
of the great auction
sale of art goods
and pictures :::::

Last auction sessions 8 p. m.
tonight, 10:30 a. m., 2:30
and 8:00 p. m. tomorrow.

ODIN J. OYEN

114 SOUTH FOURTH STREET.



Juicy navel oranges with a charming tree-ripened flavor are now for sale at your dealer's. They are pleasingly economical and, in addition, the dining table can be furnished with beautiful silverware by saving the wrappers and sending them to us with a few stamps to partly pay charges, packing, etc. The genuine come in tissue wrappers marked "Sunkist." Your dealer will supply you at extremely reasonable prices.

Tree-Ripened—Picked With Gloves

Only the very finest oranges from the best California groves are packed under the name "Sunkist." Each orange is allowed to ripen on the tree, thus producing the wonderful "Sunkist" flavor. At maturity they are carefully picked and packed by gloved hands.

Seedless and Solid

Every "Sunkist" is perfect. Each is solid meat—seedless and juicy. Most delicious and healthful of fruits. Most wholesome fruit for children—better than sweets. Tones digestion and satisfies "sweet tooth."

Begin Saving Valuable Wrappers Today

Be sure to say "Sunkist"—not merely "oranges." You will know "Sunkist" by their handsome appearance and by the printed wrappers.

This Is Your Beautiful Orange Spoon

Save 12 "Sunkist" orange or lemon wrappers, or trademarks cut from wrappers, and send them to us, with 12c in stamps to help pay charges, packing, etc., and we will send you this genuine Rogers' silver orange spoon. For each additional spoon send 12 wrappers or trademarks and 12c in stamps. Not responsible for cash sent through the mails.

14 "Sunkist" Premiums Most Economical
Send for full description, number of wrappers and amount of cash necessary to secure each article.

Table Knife	Oyster Fork	Thin-skinned, extra juicy, and each comes in a valuable "Sunkist" wrapper.
Table Fork	Child's Fork	Insist on them, as they go further than other lemons. They cost no more and the wrappers are valuable. Receive booklet free on request.
Dessert Spoon	Orange Spoon	
Child's Knife	Fruit Knife	
Boville Spoon	Teaspoon	
Coffee Spoon	Tablespoon	
Salad Fork	Butter Spreader	

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LAST DAY BARGAINS IN CHRISTMAS GIFT GOODS

Here are numerous items that we are going to close out Saturday. In many instances the quantities are limited, so we urge you to come in the morning to get your share of the bargains at the same time you will avoid the afternoon and evening crowds.

Ladies' Wear

LADIES' WAISTS, values up to \$3.50, at each **95c**
CHILDREN'S COATS, values up to \$3.50, at each **\$1.75**
CHILDREN'S BONNETS, sold from 50c to \$3.50, at **1/2 Price**
LADIES' FLANNELETTE GOWNS, values to \$1.50, at each **95c**
MEN'S FLANNELETTE NIGHT SHIRTS, values to \$1.50, at each **95c**
KNIT AVIATION CAPS, best colors, \$1.25 kind, each **95c**
KNIT AVIATION CAPS, best colors, 75c kind, at each **49c**
KNIT SCARFS, best colors and extra large, \$1.25 kind, each **95c**
LADIES' \$1.25 VESTS and Drawers, each **95c**
LADIES' 75c EMBROIDERED HOSE, per pair **49c**
\$5.00 SILK KIMONAS, at each **\$2.75**
LADIES' SILK WAISTS, values up to \$6.50, at each **\$2.50**

BASEMENT

15c and 18c Wrapper Flannels, a good assortment of colors. Saturday, per yard **10c**
 10c Challies, all colors, also **8 1/2c**
 36 in. dark Percales, choice yard **5c**
 Short lengths of 8c Apron Gingham, all colors and checks, choice, per yard **5c**
 Short lengths of 36 inch fine white Cambric, worth 10c and 12 1/2c, choice per yard **6 1/2c**

Jewelry Bargains

Mesh Bags, our entire stock, from \$3.00 to \$8.00, at **1/2 Price**
 Beaded Bags, from \$3.00 to \$9.00, every one goes at **1/2 Price**
 50c and 75c Hat Pins, Bar Pins, Belt Pins and Brooches, for **25c**
 \$1.00 to \$1.50 Hat Pins, Bar Pins, Belt Pins and Brooches, for **59c**
 Other jewelry bargains too numerous to mention.

Handkerchiefs

Maderia embroidered handkerchiefs, worth to \$1.00, for **49c**
 Embroidered Handkerchiefs, worth to 20c, for **12 1/2c**
 All our 35c embroidered handkerchiefs go at **25c**
 Ladies' 35c initialed handkerchiefs, each **19c**
 Ladies' 19c initialed handkerchiefs, each **12 1/2c**
 A lot of 50c embroidered handkerchiefs, each **39c**
 Embroidered and initialed handkerchiefs, worth to 10c, for **5c**

Ladies' Neckwear

Our entire stock of ladies' neckwear divided into three great lots for easy choosing and quick selling Saturday, each piece neatly boxed.
 Values up to 50c, go at **25c**
 Values up to \$1.00, go at **49c**
 Values up to \$2.00, go at **95c**

Ladies' Hand Bags

Choice of our entire stock of ladies' leather bags, velvet bags, satin bags, plush bags, caracul bags and other novelties, sold from \$1.50 to \$10.50 each, at **1/3 Off**

Glove Bargains

Ladies' \$1.25 silk lined Mocha gloves, per pair **85c**
 Ladies' \$1.25 fleecy lined Mocha gloves, per pair **85c**
 Ladies' \$1.25 P.K. Mocha gloves, embroidered backs, per pair **85c**
 Children's 75c Gauntlet gloves, per pair **49c**
 Children's 75c Cadet gloves and mittens, per pair **49c**
 Ladies' 75c Fur top mittens, per pair **49c**
 Children's 75c lined gloves and mittens, per pair **49c**

Maderia Pieces

75c plain scalloped hand embroidered Maderia Handkerchief Cases, at each **39c**
 89c Irish hand embroidered Handkerchief Cases, at only **50c**
 \$1.00 plain linen hand embroidered Maderia Handkerchief Cases, at only each **59c**
 \$1.25 embroidered linen Maderia Handkerchief Cases **89c**
 \$1.50 embroidered linen Maderia Handkerchief Cases **98c**

Toys! Toys!

A few special bargains for Saturday that will interest you:

Undressed Jointed Bisque Dolls, 65c values, only **39c**
 Undressed Jointed Bisque Dolls, \$1.00 values, only **65c**
 Undressed Jointed Bisque Dolls, \$2.00 values, only ... **\$1.19**
 Undressed Jointed Bisque Dolls, \$2.25 values, only ... **\$1.45**
 Dressed Dolls that sold for \$2.75 and \$3.50, only each... **\$1.89**
 75c China Tea Dishes, special for Saturday **49c**
 A big assortment of Toys of all descriptions, that sold for 65c, 75c and \$1. Choice each **45c**
 A big assortment of Toys of all descriptions, that sold for 50c and 65c. Choice each **35c**
 A big assortment of Toys of all descriptions, that sold for 35c, 39c and 50c. Choice each **25c**
 A big assortment of Toys of all descriptions, that sold for 25c and 35c. Choice, each **15c**

Damask and Napkins

72 inch Bleached all Linen Satin Damask, worth \$1.25 yard, 2 yard length, with half dozen 22 inch Napkins to match, set **\$3.50**
 21 1/2 yards, with half dozen 22 inch Napkins to match, at **\$4.00**
 3 yards, with one dozen 22 inch Napkins to match, set. **\$5.95**

CO-OPERATIVE STORE TO BE ESTABLISHED

CALEDONIA, Minn., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—At the recent meeting held in this city by the citizens and farmers of this vicinity, for the purpose of organizing a farmer's co-operative store a large number of interested agriculturists were present and after hearing a report from a committee, chosen for the purpose of investigating the condition of other co-operative stores in this and neighboring states, it was decided to conduct the general mercantile store now owned by J. P. Schummer. Five officers were elected to take charge of the work and the capital stock was placed at \$15,000 at this meeting. Following are the officers: H. Klein, president; F. Kennedy, vice president; J. C. Driscoll, secretary; G. A. Shure, treasurer, and E. Klug, director.

CHESS TOURNEY ON

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—For the twelfth time since the inauguration of the intercollegiate chess championship tournament, Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton will meet here tomorrow and Saturday. Columbia won last year.

BAKER ACQUITTED OF USING FILTHY FLOUR

RACINE, Wis., Dec. 22.—Max Tabascon, a Polish master baker, was acquitted yesterday of the charge of using filthy flour, and State Bakery Inspector C. J. Cramer, who was here to prosecute, gave as his opinion that Tabascon was the victim of a conspiracy started by a discharged workman who not only made the complaint but led the pure food inspector to the place and pointed out the one bag in 200 that contained filthy flour and had evidently been "planted" there. The workman, whose prosecution will follow, is also accused of having libelous circulars printed in Polish and Lithuanian and distributed at the Polish church last Sunday morning, warning the parishioners not to trade with the "dirty baker," and advising them further that they were not obliged to pay what they owed him under the circumstances.

KENYON INTRODUCES BILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Senator Kenyon (Rep., Iowa) today introduced a bill to prohibit interstate traffic in liquors to protect dry states.

SEALS ON DOORS INSURE IMMUNITY

Absence of Red Cross Seals at Entrances of Homes and Offices Signal for Canvass by Children

Is your door "sealed" against invasion?
 If it is not prepare to fall before the first advance guard of the "Crusaders of the Double Red Cross," the school children who will take into their own hands the campaign of the closing three days of the Red Cross Christmas seal sale of the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis association.
 Beginning on Thursday the school children of every city and village of Wisconsin will inaugurate a house-to-house canvass of their communities. Those houses and places of business indicating by the presence of a Red Cross seal on the door that tenants have entered the Anti-Tuberculosis crusade, will be passed by. But the absence of the seal will stand a mute warning that those within are "unbelievers" and open to conversion by the "crusaders." The bells of the latter places will be rung and he or she who answers confronted by a youthful and pleasant face and asked by a youthful and pleasant voice to buy seals and thus gain immunity from farther solicitation.
 The scheme originated in Kenosha and worked out with such success that the state association has officially adopted it and will make it the leading feature of a whirlwind close to the 1911 Red Cross campaign. Local managers and local newspapers have offered their co-operation and seals have already appeared surreptitiously on the doors of many Wisconsin homes.
 The school campaign is in charge of the teachers who will act as the association's district managers in this branch of the work. In Milwaukee the force of 30,000 school children who will make the house-to-house canvass has already been marshalled and stands in readiness to descend upon the "unsealed" homes and places of business at the first signal.
 Endorsing the work of the anti-tuberculosis association and notifying principals of the school board's authorization of the sale of seals by school children Carroll G. Pearce, superintendent of schools in Milwaukee, has written as follows:
 "The board of school directors has authorized in the schools, as in the past, the sale of the Christmas seals for the benefit of the Wisconsin Anti-Tuberculosis association and the National Red Cross society, which locally, works through the state association."
 "The work of the Anti-Tuberculosis association in this state has been characterized by great wisdom and zeal; there are few states in which a similar organization has done so much and so wisely in the movement. The principals, teachers and parents of the school children may feel that not only are they helping a good cause but helping it through an organization showing the highest intelligence and efficiency."
 If little Mose went to Quito, would he be a Mosquito?

BLIND GOOD MASSEURS

PARIS, Dec. 22.—A course of massage has been arranged in Paris for the benefit of the blind, the government giving a generous subsidy. Blind masseurs have been employed for centuries in Japan, the sense of touch so markedly developed making them experts.

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Every Trimmed and Untrimmed Hat in our store to be Closed Out Regardless of Cost

Every Trimmed Hat in Our Store, up to \$4.00, Only \$1.00	Every Trimmed Hat in Our Store, up to \$15.00, Only \$3.98	Every Untrimmed Felt Hat and Hood in Our Store, Only 50c
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EVERYTHING GOES IN THIS SALE. NO RESERVE.
 Extraordinary Bargains in Fine Ostrich Plumes for Christmas Gifts at each only
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Perfect in every sense—light, wholesome and delicious if made with Rumford.

Its absolute purity and wholesomeness make food always the same—delicious, digestible and economical.

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 THE WHOLESOME
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 The Best of the High-Grade Baking Powders—No Alum

LAST CALL!

For Christmas Shoes

There's nothing more welcome than footwear — especially if it has the fit and quality for which the name "HEIL" stands. Remember that every pair of shoes or slippers sold will be cheerfully exchanged after Christmas. Ask to see the latest footwear novelty, the Tourist Slipper, or "Foot Glove."

Get the Christmas gift at HEIL'S.

FRED HEIL SHOE CO.

Fourth and Main Streets

SEND GREETING TO RILEY

WINONA, Minn., Dec. 22.—At the closing of the normal school here for the Christmas vacation Miss Olga Pfeffer read James Whitcomb Riley's Christmas poem, "A Feel in the Christmas." In view of the somber Christmas that Mr. Riley appears to face, on account of a recent paralytic stroke, and also the death of his brother, John Riley, the school voted to join in a Christmas greeting in the form of a letter to be written to the poet at his home on Lockerbie street in Indianapolis.

COMMISSIONER NAMED

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 22.—In a meeting which lasted nearly three hours the state immigration board selected H. J. Maxfield of Wadena immigration commissioner to succeed the late George Welch.

Mrs. Welch, the board decided, shall receive the December salary her husband would have earned. Gov-

ernor Everhart, A. E. Nelson and Julius A. Schmahl, secretary of state, were appointed a committee to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of Mr. Welch.

FORTY IN 'LID' DRAGNET

EAST GRAND FORKS, Dec. 22.—Forty-four indictments returned by the Polk county grand jury materialized into arrests in East Grand Forks yesterday when Deputy Sheriff Kelly and Enright gathered forty local saloonkeepers and others in to the dragnet. The cases will come up before Judge Watts of the district court.

Charges of maintaining gambling devices, of conducting disorderly houses and of swindling by cards are made in the grand jury indictments.

Many a man fails to recognize his mission in life, even when he is "up against it."

Would you say that a sheriff is an affectionate person, because he has an attachment for so many persons?

LAST STAND OF THE OLD GUARD

La Follette Writes Caustic Comment on National Republican Committee's Action

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 22.—Caustic criticism for the "steam roller" methods invoked by the National Republican committee at its recent meeting in Washington to stamp out popular sentiment in favor of a presidential primary, was voiced by Senator Robert M. La Follette in the leading editorial in his magazine, issued here today.

"It is the last stand of the old guard," the editorial says. "Never again will there gather in party councilmen who will thus contemptuously spurn a proposal to obtain an expression of public will for party guidance."

"It was Scott of West Virginia—the repudiated United States senator—Scott the system-serving, system-loving, system-favored, system-sounding, the privileged interests who sounded the keynote for the national republican committee."

"Stick to the old method," he cried and the organization men—the Taft machine—controlling the committee, showed back, "stick to the old method."

In conclusion the senatorial calls upon all governments of states that have not presidential primary laws to call special sessions of the legislatures to enact such statutes.

AFFINITY COLLECTOR WIFE IS FREED

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—On receipt of a message from the New York authorities withdrawing extradition demands, Judge Dolan today freed Mrs. A. J. McIvor-Tyndall, wife of the New Thought lecturer and affinity collector, from the charge of stealing \$600 worth of jewelry from her husband's soul mate.

When originally arrested, Mrs. McIvor-Tyndall told a remarkable story of living with her husband and his "physical affinity" at New York—the physical affinity being, it was said, a prominent actress. The "affinity" brought the charge against the wife.

It was believed that the husband succeeded in patching up the trouble between his soul mate and his wife.

STORAGE LAW UPHOLD
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The court of special sessions has upheld the constitutionality of the Brennan Cold Storage law, under which all eggs, butter and meats kept in cold storage must bear a stamp showing when they were entered into the refrigerators. The court did this in sustaining a fine of \$4,000 against the Greenwich Cold Storage company.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

State of Wisconsin—In Probate—La Crosse County Court.

In the matter of the estate of William Gallaher, late of the Town of Shelby, in said County, deceased.

Letters of administration in said matter having been granted to Appleton Esler, of La Crosse County, Wisconsin, notice is hereby given that six months after the 6th day of December, A. D. 1911, are allowed to creditors to present their claims against said deceased for examination and allowance; and that said Court will on the 2nd day of July, A. D. 1912, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court Room of said Court, in the Courthouse in the City of La Crosse, in said County, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased.

Dated this 6th day of December, 1911.

By the Court,
JOHN BRINDLEY,
County Judge.
W. F. & A. C. WOLFE,
Attorneys for Estate.

STREET MUSICIAN HIT OF BIG SHOW

Leo Filier's Work with the Violin Draws Long, Enthusiastic Applause from Audience

FIVE MERKELS ARE CLEVER

Acrobatic Work is well Received, as Is "Aunt Jerusha's Visit to the City"

Music that really charms is being turned out at the Majestic this week by Leo Filier, who is "doing vaudeville" under the name of the Street Musician. Filier is an expert on the violin and his renditions of difficult pieces last night was enthusiastically applauded by a large audience.

Filier's repertoire includes many difficult pieces from the masters as well as two or three popular selections.

The Five Merkels' European novelty acrobatic act is meritorious and was well received at all performances yesterday. A genuine strong woman plays an important part in the act while two girls and two men also perform feats of skill and strength.

Aunt Jerusha's Visit to the City is a "back east" sketch that appeals to everyone. It is the story of the country aunt and daughter, visiting "city relations" and the playlette provides fun and laughter unlimited.

Eddie Ackerman's comedy cyclist work is good and besides being a clever rider he introduces wit and fun into his act that wins a warm spot for him in the hearts of the theater goers.

J. Emmett Haney & Co., costume creators, have an act that is distinctively new and exceedingly good. Their work was well received.

The story of a Mormon massacre is portrayed by the moving pictures this week.

The Majestic orchestra is meeting with more than its usual generous applause the first half of this week owing to the appreciation shown by the audiences of the overture that is played. It is a descriptive number entitled "Ghost Dancers," and is worthy of the more than usual attention it receives.

NEW TANGLE IN STATE POLITICS

Delegates for National Convention Don't Know where to Circulate Nomination Papers

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 22.—Under the terms of the reapportionment act of the last legislature the new congressional districts created by the reapportionment will not go into effect until April 1, 1912, and it has not yet been made clear where delegates for the national convention shall circulate their nomination papers. The election falls on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in April or shortly after the new districts have been created, but politicians and attorneys do not know whether candidates for the national convention ought to circulate their papers in their old congressional districts or in the new districts provided for by the reapportionment.

A number of attorneys, including State Senator Blaine of Boschob, chairman of the campaign committee of the new La Follette club recently organized in Milwaukee, are studying this question.

Two delegates from each congressional district and four delegates at large are to be chosen.

Swallows Teeth and Dies
NEW YORK—While taking a Turkish bath, Mrs. Anna Herrmann, 50, swallowed her false teeth and strangled to death.

Cough Coming?

Turn it Back

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Good Pure Wholesome Effective

Stop That Tickle For Just a Nickel

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In order to clean up our stock of Christmas Novelties by 9 P. M. TOMORROW NIGHT, we will sell our entire assortment at **GREAT REDUCTIONS IN PRICES**

Neckwear

Neckwear always makes an acceptable Christmas gift. We are showing a complete line of Jabots, Cascades, and Collars. A great many of these are put up in holiday boxes. Specially priced from 10c up to **\$2.00**

Scarfs

Every lady would appreciate a nice scarf. We have them in all prices from 75c up to **\$5.00**

Umbrellas

We are showing a complete line of ladies' and gents' umbrellas, with or without detachable handles. Specially priced from 98c up to **\$6.00**

Choice Assortment of

Leather Pillows

and ready made fancy work at reasonable prices at our Art Dept.

Lace Dress Patterns, put up in boxes, make a beautiful gift. Specially priced, the pattern..... **\$10**

Nothing is more appreciated than a nice silk or wool waist or dress pattern. Come in and look over our stock for we will be sure to please you, no matter if you want an inexpensive or expensive pattern.

Jewel Cases, Collar Bags, Collar Button Boxes, Hair Receivers, Powder Jars, Toilet Sets, etc., at prices from 25c to **\$7**

Everything new in Hand Bags, beaded, German silver mesh, velvet, plush, and leather bags. Prices ranging from 25c up to **\$10.00**

Hosiery

No gift is more appreciated than nice hosiery. We are showing a large line of lisle hose in black and colors, at per pair, 25c, 50c, 75c and **\$1.00**
Silk hose in black and color. at per pair, 50c up to **\$3.50**

Gloves

Nothing makes a more practical gift than a pair of gloves.

Kid gloves in black and colors, 2 and 3 clasp, specially priced at pair, 79c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 and **\$1.75**

Long kid gloves in black and colors, at \$2.75, \$3 and **\$3.50**

Combs and Barrettes

Every lady appreciates a nice fancy comb or barrette. We are showing combs at 25c to \$2.50. Barrettes, from 25c up to **75c**

Handkerchiefs

No matter what your handkerchief wants are, we can please you.

Children's and ladies' linen and lawn handkerchiefs, in plain, initials and embroidered. Values in this lot up to 10c. Special, each..... **5c**

Ladies' linen handkerchiefs, embroidered in corner; regular 15c value, at **10c**

Ladies' pure linen and Irish linen handkerchiefs in plain and embroidered; reg. 20c values, at .. **15c**

See the special values we are showing in ladies' and girls' plain, initials and hand embroidered handkerchiefs, each from 25c up to .. **\$2**

PLAN MOTOR GRAND PRIX

PARIS, Dec. 22.—For the first time in years a motor grand prix will be run in France next year. It will be open to all and America will be well represented, according to assurances given the French Automobile club. There is only one restriction to cars entered and this is that they shall not exceed one metre and three-quarters, or about 5 feet 5 inches, in width.

The grand prix will extend over two days, there being an event for light cars. Drivers may be changed. Entrance fees are to be as follows: For one car, \$300; two cars, \$550; three cars, \$750; four cars, \$900.

A woman boasts of her linen closet—even if it but an old pine box. You won't find the road to success very well dragged.

SNOW WORTH MILLIONS

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 22.—Millions of dollars is the value to the farmers of Colorado placed today on the snowstorm which raged yesterday and last night, burying the state to a depth varying from two inches to several feet. Owing to the light snowfall last winter the season just passed was one of unprecedented drought. In some portions the storm reached the proportions of a blizzard entailing much suffering to livestock. The snowfall ceased early today and the weather turned colder.

VISITING NURSE WEDS

RACINE, Wis., Dec. 22.—Miss Mary Anderson, for two years visiting nurse for the Associated Charities, was married Wednesday evening to Harry Jorgensen, a prosperous farmer of Norman, Neb., where the young couple will reside.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO COUNTY COURT

State of Wisconsin, County Court, La Crosse County—ss.—In Probate.

Notice is hereby given that at a regular term of the County Court, to be held in and for said County, at the Court House, in the City of La Crosse, in said County, on the first Tuesday, being the 5th day of December, A. D. 1911 at ten o'clock A. M., the following matter will be heard and considered:

The application of Bridget Mickschl for the appointment of an administrator of the estate of William Gallaher, late of the town of Shelby, in said County of La Crosse, deceased.

By order of the Court,
JOHN BRINDLEY,
County Judge.
W. F. and A. C. Wolfe, attorneys for petitioner.

HURRY!

Tomorrow at noon the Hoosier contest comes to a close. You'll have to hurry to get in your guess on the correct number of parts contained in the

HOOSIER KITCHEN CABINET

Remember, it don't cost a cent. Come in any time before noon tomorrow and record your guess.

Watch tomorrow's Tribune for name of the winner.

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is forcibly demonstrated at Christmas time, what a good thing it really is for wage earners. Rid your mind of the worry how to include every one in gift giving you would like to, besides you can get clothes for every member of your family with a very small first payment.

FURS

Sure of a hearty welcome, whether you present a set to your mother, sweetheart, wife or sister. We replenish our Fur stock for tomorrow's selling, hence we can show you an extensive assortment in Fox Opossum, Coney, Muskrat, Wolf, Goat, in white, black and brown.

Or if you prefer to present a Man's Suit, Overcoat, Pants, Hat, sheep-lined Coat, Boy's Overcoat or Suit. A Ladies' or Misses' Suit, Coat, Dress, Skirt, Waist, Petticoat, Hat, Plume, Girls' Coat or Fur.

(Hier wird Deutsch gesprochen)



NOW FOR THE FINAL DAY OF XMAS SELLING

We don't go into detail in this store news—we have been giving you prices of holiday goods all this month until everybody knows that here are the largest stocks, the greatest assortments, the most attractive displays and the lowest prices. Many happy thousands have visited this store. It has at all times been a good natured crowd, filled with Christmas good cheer.

Tomorrow will see the end of gift buying. It will be a time when every department will make extraordinary reductions in certain lines of goods. There are many stocks that must be closed out by the time the store closes Saturday night.

There are far too many of these goods to give you the facts in each case—let it suffice when we tell you that the wise buyers will be amply rewarded for a careful tour of the store the day before Christmas. You will find thousands of rare bargains, chances that will make it easy for you to secure gifts for friends and relatives you have not already provided for.

\$5 Fountain Pens at \$1

Factory sample line of one of the country's best known factories. They are not flawed in any way, but absolutely perfect in every way. All are regular size, and made of best quality rubber. The construction is simple, so there is no danger of getting out of order, and deep grooved feed insuring a steady flow of ink. There are six styles to select from—heavy or fine points; written guarantee for 5 years, all 14k gold. Genuine \$3.00 to \$5.00 values, special choice each in a box, at

\$1.00

Clearing Christmas Wearing Apparel WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Fashionable Wearing Apparel Suitable For Presents

\$12.50 NOVELTY WAISTS, for women. Striking effects made in chiffon, chiffon taffeta, and messaline. All genuine \$7.50 and \$12.50 values. Saturday, in holly boxes, to close, at

\$5.98

BATH ROBES, for women, showing handsome first quality materials in black, navy, red, lavender, gray, and tan. All sell regularly at \$3.25, \$5.00 and \$6.50; in holly boxes, on sale Saturday, choice less

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SILK KIMONAS. We place on sale just 3 dozen fine silk kimonas, each in a pretty holly box, selling regularly at \$5.00; choice for Saturday only, while they last, at

\$3.95

CHILDREN'S COATS. — Unrestricted choice any child's coat in our entire stock, for ages 2 to 14, and juniors 13 to 17, all fashionable new styles, materials and patterns. Price range from \$4.95 to \$13.50. Saturday, choice less

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CHILDREN'S BONNETS. Neat up-to-the-minute creations to match almost any coat. Nobby styles in velvets, furs, cloth and bearskin. The bonnets sell regularly at 75c to \$5.98, and nothing would make a more acceptable present. Choice Saturday, less

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LEONA GARMENTS. About four dozen garments in this well known popular brand, that have become somewhat soiled from displays, etc. Prices ranging from \$1.75 to \$4.50. Priced special Saturday, to close the lot, at exactly

1/2

Why Not GIVE..... BOOKS?

Popular Copyrighted Fiction at 49c each. These editions sold for \$1.50 when first published. Bound and made just like the regular \$1.50 copyrights. We have over 400 titles to choose from. All the best known fiction writers are represented. Price

49c

THE "ADELPHIA" SERIES OF GIRLS' BOOKS — This well known series all printed in fancy cloth binding, on good paper. Books it will do your girl good to read. Per volume

25c

THE "ALGER" AND "HENTY" SERIES FOR BOYS — Nicely cloth bound and printed, instructive and amusing. Books that always sell for 25 cents, special at only

19c

"PRINCESS" AND "IVORY" SERIES FOR GIRLS — This celebrated series nicely bound and printed; all generally sell for 25 cents. Our price, the volume at

19c

Every Rocking Chair in the Store Discounted

No limitations or restriction, every rocking chair goes at 20 per cent off the regular price Saturday, and when we say this includes 265 separate and distinct styles, the wonderful range of choice can be readily seen. All kinds of sizes and prices—any would make good presents. Choose Saturday at a special discount of

20%

35c Neckwear, 25c

Large special assortment of men's fashionable four-in-hand Neckties, including reversible Baratha plain and fancy silk ties, values up to 35c; all packed in neat holly boxes; special Saturday at

25c



MEN'S HOUSE Jackets, 1/3 Off

Saturday choice of any smoking or house jacket in our store, including quilted silk and brocade silk lined, ranging in price \$3.95 to \$11.95. Choice **1/3 OFF** at just

Saturday Basement Specials FOOT BALLS

\$1.00 Regulation full pebbled sheepskin leather case, with good rubber bladder. Dandy present for the little boy. \$1.00 value; choice Saturday at only

75c

GIRLS' SKATES

Made in best grade rolled steel, fine grain leather heel and toe straps. Sells regularly at 90c. Special Saturday at

75c

CHILDREN'S BOBS

Made expressly for the little children just learning to skate. Double runner, strong heel and toe straps. Sell regularly at 50c. On sale special Saturday at only

37c

CARVING SETS

Three piece best grade tempered steel knife, fork and steel. Cocobola handle. All in neat box. Complete Saturday at

59c

Great 1/2 Price Sale of TOYS Saturday!

SATURDAY will be a day of terrific price slashing in Toys such as this city has never seen. The toy buyer says, "Nothing must be carried over," which means before the closing hour Saturday hundreds of dollars worth of toys will be sacrificed.

All Toy Furniture, Bureaus, Dressers, China Closets, Ice Chests, Beds, Cradles, Wash Sets, Chairs and Tables.

TOYS

It would be impossible to give a complete list of all the Toy bargains tomorrow, but let it suffice to say nothing must be left at the closing hour.

10 Lbs. GRANULATED SUGAR 59c

With Grocery Order of 50 cents or more

Batavia Fancy Peaches, per can	33c	Cranberries, per quart	11c
Batavia Egg Plums, per can	30c	Fancy Grapes, per pound	19c
Asparagus, per can 15c, 25c, 30c		Oranges, dozen from	15c to 35c
Batavia Peas, 15c, 18c, 20c		California Walnuts, per pound	20c
Batavia Corn, per can	15c	Almonds, per pound	21c
Batavia White Cherries, per can	35c	Brazils, per pound	18c
Montague's Samoset Biscuits, per package 9c; 3 for	25c	Jumbo Pecans, per pound	20c
Nabisco's, per box 9c and 23c		Filberts, per pound	17c
Iced Animal Cookies, fancy, per dozen	8c	Mixed Nuts, per pound	16c
Animal Cookies, per measure	5c	Hickory Nuts, per quart	5c
Uneda Biscuits, 2 packages for	9c	Walnuts and Butternuts, peck	25c
Queen Olives, per quart	30c	Fresh Oysters, per quart	35c
Mixed Pickles, per quart	20c		
Stuffed Olives, per bottle	9c		

Supporters	CANDY	PIPES	Ornaments	\$5.00 Phonograph	AUTO SCARFS	Embroiderette Handkerchiefs	APRONS	LINEN	MITTENS	Xmas Trees
Women's hose supporters, in neat holly boxes—	Soft center assorted flavor Chocolates, 30 ct. quality at—	Genuine French briar with real amber stem, at—	All Christmas Tree Ornaments priced at—	Guaranteed in every way, plays standard Edison records, complete in wooden case—	Size 26x66, hemstitched ends, rich plain shades of brown, white, black, rose, garnet, navy, Copenhagen, pink, gray and light blue; 75c sellers, at	Elegant evenly woven quality women's handkerchiefs, full size, with handsome embroidered effects around border. Special choice at each	Women's fine white embroidered aprons worth 25c, choice	All \$1 Table Linen at—	Women's silk double black knit mittens, 75c values, at—	Live and growing, special each
39c	20c	25c	1/2	\$2.48	49c	2 1/2c	9c	83c	49c	10c

FREE! Saturday is the last day of the free Santa Claus Show. Every 20 minutes throughout the day.—2nd Floor.

DOERFLINGER'S

NOTICE our special which will appear on the last page of this paper Saturday evening.

VIROQUA, WIS.

Wm. Sidie, Jr., has purchased the James Stevens farm near Victory. Miss Selma Mockrud has gone to Milwaukee to visit a sister. Mrs. Heeneey and children of South Dakota are guests of her par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Theige.

Prof. A. E. Smith is taking treatment at a La Crosse hospital. Ole Olson has purchased land in the Lone Star state. Herbert J. Banks, a nephew of Wm. Banks, who formerly lived here, was killed at a railroad cross-

ing at Belmont, Mont.

Leslie Deaver and family of Montana are visiting relatives here. Mrs. O. G. Munson returned from a visit to Chicago. The first tobacco delivery at Westby was made by T. T. Nedland. Willett M. Spooner of Milwaukee,

a son of Senator John C. Spooner, has been in attendance at court this week.

Miss Hope Munson is home from Montfort for the holidays. Dr. M. Morrison of Cashton had business here. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Owen have

moved from their farm to this city.

George Clements of Pleasant Ridge was operated on at a Rochester hospital. Michael Tully of Rising Sun was accidentally shot at Minneapolis. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dustin are the parents of a little son.

Dr. and Mrs. Will Gorsline of Chicago are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Hockenberry and daughter have returned home from the Lutheran hospital at La Crosse. Miss Frances Baker is home from teaching duties at Sparta.

CONGRESS ADJOURNS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The house adjourned yesterday afternoon until January 3. The senate also adjourned to the same date. Congressman left town in great numbers this afternoon to spend the holidays at home.